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LONG QUEUES AT FUEL OUTLETS AMID FEARS OF POST-ELECTION PRICE HIKE

Motorists thronged petrol bunks in parts of the country on Monday, amid buzz of a fuel shortage and a sharp price rise after the West Bengal polls

PANIC BUYING SPARKS SHORTAGE IN ANDHRA

Rumours of an imminent price rise sparked panic buying in Andhra Pradesh, resulting in shortages and more than 400 petrol pumps running dry over the weekend. Long queues of vehicles were seen at many outlets across the state. "We are receiving information that diesel is getting exhausted everywhere from our dealers," a fuel retailer's association member in Guntur told reporters

OVER 30% SURGE IN FUEL DEMAND: MINISTRY

- "We have observed... 30-33 per cent (growth) in demand for fuels like diesel. That is why certain retail outlets faced issues," Sujata Sharma, Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, said
- In Andhra, Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu directed state officials and OMC officials to work in tandem to restore normalcy in fuel supply

Wednesday

WHEN THE LAST PHASE OF WEST BENGAL ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

FTA inked, India to get duty-free access to NZ

Wellington commits $20 billion investment in India over 15 years

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

INDIA and New Zealand on Monday signed a comprehensive free trade agreement (FTA) that offers duty-free access for 100% Indian exports to the island nation, which will get market access for 70.03% of the tariff lines covering 95% of the bilateral trade value. The remaining 29.97% tariff lines have been excluded to protect India's sensitive sectors such as dairy and agriculture.

New Zealand has also committed to invest $20 billion in India over 15 years.

The pact is expected to be implemented by the end of this year after New Zealand Parliament's approval.

"The investment commitment of $20 billion by New Zealand will further strengthen our cooperation in agriculture, manufacturing, innovation and technology, paving the way for a more prosperous and dynamic future for both countries," Prime Minister Narendra Modi said in a social media post.

Commerce minister Piyush Goyal said that New Zealand has committed market access in 118 sectors and most favoured nation status in 139 sectors while opening dedicated work, study, and holiday visa pathways for Indian professionals, students, and young travellers. An official statement noted that the FTA will significantly boost MSMEs and enhance competitiveness in labour intensive sectors such as textiles, footwear, gems and jewellery, engineering goods, and processed foods.

Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal with New Zealand Trade Minister Todd McClay during the signing of the free trade agreement in New Delhi Monday | PTI

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- $20 billion investment commitment over 15 years
- Special emphasis on strengthening MSMEs and women-led enterprises
- India offers market access in 70.03% of the tariff lines, which covers 95% of New Zealand's bilateral trade
- India protects key interests in dairy and agriculture; benefit for labour-intensive sectors like textile and leather
- New Zealand facilitates health and traditional medicine services for the first time
- Student mobility and post study work visa for STEM graduates, skilled professionals; opens new visa pathway for 5,000 skilled occupations

India's current tariffs on sheep meat, wool and coal from New Zealand will be scrapped immediately while duties on seafood and horticulture items—including cherries and avocados—will be phased out over seven years. India has cut tariffs on New Zealand wine by 66-83% over 10 years. Tariffs on bulk infant formula and peptones will be phased out in seven years.

"We have committed to work closely with India to help Prime Minister Modi meet his ambition of increasing the earnings of Indian farmers and growers by 50%," New Zealand Trade Minister Todd McClay said.

Forces to stay after Bengal poll: Shah

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

IN what appeared to be an assurance to West Bengal voters who had normalised post-poll violence, Union home minister Amit Shah on Monday announced that the Central Armed Paramilitary Force (CAPF) will remain deployed in the state for 60 days after the second and final phase of polling.

The announcement came on a day when campaigning for 142 seats in the final phase ended. Shah has been camping here for over a week to oversee the BJP's poll preparations.

> **Don't get influenced by BJP. After first phase poll, BJP has realised that TMC will be back in power for 4th term**
>
> Mamata Banerjee, CM

Post-poll violence in the past has resulted in loss of lives and destruction of property.

Addressing an election rally in Behala, on the southern fringes of Kolkata, he said, "Brothers and sisters, go and vote on the 29th, do not worry about Didi's (Mamata Banerjee) goons. The Election Commission of India has deployed CAPF at every nook and cranny, and I am telling you that even though the BJP will come to power after the elections, central forces will remain here for 60 more days."

He added that if voted to power, the BJP would initiate action against political violence and illegal immigrants. Shah also reiterated the party's intention to implement a Uniform Civil Code in the state if it forms the government.

Home Minister Amit Shah at Kapil Muni Ashram in Gangasagar, West Bengal | PTI

He further asserted that after May 4, the practice of polygamy would not be permitted in the state.

After wrapping up his campaign, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in an open letter to the state, said: "Serving and securing West Bengal is my responsibility. Turning every challenge before West Bengal into an opportunity is also part of my destiny. I won't back down from this responsibility."

Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee undertook a 6 km roadshow in south Kolkata, which is part of the TMC's fortress along with North and South 24 Parganas and Howrah. They account for 91 of 294 seats in the legislative assembly.

Iran offers to open Strait of Hormuz if US lifts blockade, defers N-talks

AGENCIES @ Washington/ Cairo

IRAN has offered to reopen the Strait of Hormuz if the US lifts its blockade on Iranian ports and ends the war, two regional officials said on Monday. But there will be no negotiations on its nuclear program for now.

The proposal was passed on to the Americans by Pakistani officials. US President Donald Trump is expected to hold high-level talks with top security advisors to discuss it, reports said. The Strait's closure has put pressure on him, as oil and gasoline prices have skyrocketed ahead of crucial midterm elections.

However, analysts are skeptical about Trump accepting the Iranian proposal. They point out that lifting the US blockade and ending the war would remove Trump's leverage in any future talks with Iran.

Sources told CNN that Trump will also weigh his options during the meeting, including whether or not to resume the US bombing campaign.

In a related development, Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi met Russian President Vladimir Putin at St Petersburg. He blamed "excessive demands" from the US for the failure of talks. "The US approaches caused the previous round of negotiations, despite progress, to fail to reach its goals because of the excessive demands," he said.

Meanwhile, under a proposed Iranian law, the country's armed forces would become the authority responsible for managing the Strait of Hormuz. The draft legislation also provides that financial gains from the Strait would be paid in Iran's rial currency.

Reports said Iran tried to persuade Oman to support a mechanism to collect tolls from vessels passing through the strait. Oman's response wasn't immediately clear.

DAY 59 | WAR WATCH

Shots fired at ship with 17 Indian crew

A Togo-flagged oil and chemical tanker was involved in an incident near Oman after warning shots were fired by Iranian authorities, though all 17 Indian crew onboard were safe, the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways said on Monday

COOKER BLAST CASE

Key accused sentenced to 10 years of RI

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

ISIS member Mohammed Shariq, 27, the prime accused in the 2002 Mangaluru pressure cooker blast case, has been sentenced to undergo 10 years of rigorous imprisonment along with a fine of Rs 92,000 by a Special Court for National Investigation Agency (NIA) cases in Bengaluru on Monday.

A native of Shivamogga, Shariq is the key accused in the November 19, 2022 blast case. Shariq suffered severe burns when the pressure cooker IED he was taking in an auto-rickshaw to plant at Kadri Manjunatha Temple in Mangaluru to create communal tension accidentally detonated around 4.30 pm due to faulty setting of the timer.

He has been convicted under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act. He has also been sentenced for attempt to murder, criminal conspiracy and causing grievous hurt to auto driver Purushotham Poojary, and also under the provisions of the Explosive Substances Act. P5

EXPRESS READ

RCB pacers flatten DC, cruise to nine-wicket win

New Delhi: Royal Challengers Bengaluru rode a storm of sheer pace fury to annihilate Delhi Capitals by nine wickets in their IPL clash here on Monday. Josh Hazlewood (4/12) and Bhuvneshwar Kumar (3/5) turned the powerplay into a demolition act. All Delhi could manage was 75 in 16.3 overs. Chasing a modest target, RCB openers Virat Kohli (23) and Jacob Bethell (20) sailed past the finish line in 6.3 overs | P17

3 die of 'sunstroke' in Odisha, tally touches 8

Bhubaneswar: As Odisha reeled under blistering hot conditions, three more persons, including two teachers, have died of sunstroke, taking the unofficial death toll to eight in the state. The latest deaths were reported from Mayurbhanj and Sundargarh districts where the temperature has been hovering in the range of 37°C to 43°C | P7

STATE ROLLS OUT DIGI LITIGATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WITH SOP

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka government has introduced a Litigation Management System (LMS) with a standard operating procedure (SOP) to streamline handling of court cases, improve accountability and reduce delays by government departments in dealing with legal cases. The system features a digital case tracking module integrated with e-office for real-time monitoring. Departments must upload case details within 48 hours of receiving court orders.

The system mandates complete digitisation of litigation records and minimisation of physical file movement, stated the notification, issued by the principal secretary to the Law, Justice and Human Rights Department.

The notification, issued recently, pointed to the Karnataka High Court (Writ Appeal No. 20277/2025, Kalaburagi Bench) observation that highlighted delays, poor coordination and lack of accountability in government litigation.

The new system, developed in response to the high court's order, will have a streamlined SOP to ensure timely action, clear responsibility and effective coordination, which will be monitored continuously.

The SOP states that a dedicated digital case tracking module will be developed that will capture and track issues like court orders received by each department, date of receipt, limitation period for filing appeals, stagewise movement of files within the department, tracking of cases, officer-wise responsibility mapping and more. The SOP stresses on appointing a litigation nodal officer who will monitor all litigation and coordinate with the panel of advocates.

Each case will be fixed on concerned advocates. These advocates must apply for a certified copy of the order/judgment within 48 hours of its pronouncement or disposal. Later, they should provide an opinion within seven days overseen by the Litigation Conducting Officer and Supervisory Officer. "Any delay shall be recorded and attributed to specific officers," it warned. CONTINUED ON: P6

RISING TEMPERATURES

Check destination weather before heading out: IMD

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE India Meteorological Department (IMD) has advised people to check weather conditions of their destinations before starting their journey.

The advisory has been issued as temperatures are rising not just in Karnataka, but across India. Officials said weather has been varying drastically in different locations this summer which can impact people's health. While some regions are experiencing hot and humid conditions, others dry heat. Some other regions are experiencing a heatwave, while some have thundershowers.

Director General of Meteorology, IMD, Mrtyunjay Mohapatra said there are weather variations across India. If one is travelling to the Northeast, they will need a blanket, while in case of central India one will have to look for shelter to save themselves from the summer heat. Some regions in the Northwest are experiencing rainfall.

A heatwave alert was issued for some regions two days ago, but in the next couple of days, the weather will change as rainfall has been forecast.

"People should check IMD's website for weather conditions and alerts before heading out," he said. CONTINUED ON: P2

City to receive rain in next 2 days: Forecast

IMD (Bengaluru) Director N Puviarasan said the city is likely to receive rainfall from Wednesday or Thursday. He said a forecast of 1-2 cm rain has been issued. This will bring a short respite, but temperatures will rise again | P2

Not paid dues, 2 men cut cables to 240+ CCTVs at Chinnaswamy

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

ANGRY over bills not being paid, two men allegedly cut optical fibre cables connected to over 240 CCTV cameras at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium on April 24, ahead of the IPL cricket match between Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) and Gujarat Titans. This severely affected security surveillance by the police, who were monitoring the stadium.

The Cubbon Park police registered an FIR against the two persons -- Manjunath E (37), hailing from Chitradurga, and Abdul Kalam (19) from Uttar Pradesh. The police have been relying on CCTV footage and AI technology for crowd control after the stampede at the stadium on June 4 last year.

The complaint was filed by Aditya Bhat, an employee of Staqu Technologies, a Gurugram-based firm that provides AI-driven surveillance solutions during matches. On April 24, before the RCB vs Gujarat Titans match, the company's team conducted an inspection of the cameras in the morning and found that over 240 cameras were switched off. P5

STRUCTURAL CHALLENGES

Shortage of IPS officers cripples IB operations, 40% posts remain vacant

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

THE Intelligence Bureau (IB), India's premier internal security agency, is facing an acute shortage of IPS officers especially in the mid-level ranks that are vital for operational effectiveness and coordination on the ground.

The latest official data on sanctioned posts and vacancies in central police organisations and central armed police forces point to a sharp imbalance in the IB's staffing structure.

Senior leadership roles such as Director General, Special Director and Inspector General are adequately filled. But, the situation changes drastically at the levels of Deputy Inspector General (DIG) and Superintendent of Police (SP), where vacancies have reached nearly 50% of the sanctioned strength.

Out of a total of 203 sanctioned IPS posts in the IB, as many as 81 remain unfilled, indicating an overall shortfall of around 40%. The DIG rank alone accounts for 36 vacancies against 63 sanctioned posts, while at the SP level, 45 positions are vacant out of a total strength of 83.

These mid-level officers play a critical role in the intelligence agency as they supervise field operations, handle sensitive inputs and coordinate with other agencies. The absence of these officers, therefore, directly impacts the IB's operational efficiency.

Pointing to structural challenges behind the shortage, officials said the IB relies heavily on deputation from state cadres, but state police forces themselves are grappling with manpower constraints and rising law-and-order responsibilities.

This has reduced the pool of officers available for central postings. Additionally, shorter tenures and frequent transfers hinder continuity in intelligence operations, while state-Centre dynamics further complicate deputation processes.

The staffing crunch comes amid an increasingly complex internal security environment, marked by evolving threats such as terrorism, extremism, cyber espionage and organised crime, underscoring the urgency of addressing the gap.

Why mid-level officers matter

Mid-level officers play a crucial role in the intelligence gathering architecture. DIGs and SPs are responsible for supervising field operations, handling sensitive inputs, and ensuring the swift flow of actionable information across agencies. Their absence impacts operational efficiency and responsiveness

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- **Year:** Parabhava
- **Ayana:** Uttharayana
- **Ritu:** Vasantha
- **Masa:** Vaishaka
- **Paksha:** Sukla
- **Tithi:** Dwadasi 7.39 pm
- **Nakshatra:** Uttharaphalguni 11.07 pm
- **Moon in Tula Rashi**
- **Rahukaala:** 03:00 am to 04:30 am
- **Gulikakala:** 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm
- **Yamaganda:** 09:00 am to 10:30 am

WEATHER

MIN 23°C | MAX 36°C

FORECAST Overcast

Sunrise 06.00 am | Sunset 06.34 pm | Moonrise 03.56 pm | Moonset 03.32 am

BWSSB to manage drinking water, sewerage networks under one roof

SCADA, a crucial component of Cauvery Stage V, is all set for operation, says civic body

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THE state-of-the-art Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA), a crucial component of the Cauvery Stage V, is all set for operation, said Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) Ram Prasath Manohar after reviewing the integrated command centre at Jayanagar, which ranks among the largest in Asia. It has cutting-edge technology to manage both the city's drinking water and sewerage networks seamlessly under a single roof, said.

"Managing the 775-MLD Cauvery Stage V water supply for 110 villages, it is a massive system designed to monitor and manage the city's comprehensive drinking water and sewerage network in real-time. Using AI technology, the system accurately predicts water demand across various regions. Any water leakage in the pipelines can be instantly detected to prevent wastage," said Manohar.

The command centre is integrated with the water treatment plants at TK Halli, Harohalli, and Tataguni, as well as all Ground Level Reservoirs (GLRs) in the city. Water quality parameters (Chlorine, pH, Turbidity) are continuously measured during supply. If the water gets contaminated, an alert message is immediately dis-

patched, ensuring the supply of highly safe drinking water to citizens, BWSSB chief said.

Beyond drinking water, all Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) in the city are connected to this centre. It verifies whether the treated water meets NGT compliance standards and continuously monitors the volume of Bio-Gas generated in these facilities, he said and added that the system incorporates advanced mechanisms to issue early warnings before any machinery breaks down, which will significantly save operational costs and electricity expenses for BWSSB.

"It is a matter of immense pride that BWSSB is implementing Asia's largest control centre to manage drinking water and wastewater on such a massive scale. Adopting complete transparency and the highest level of technology, this Intelligent SCADA Centre will create a new revolution in Bengaluru's water and sewerage management," Monahar said.

Pourakarmikas and other sanitation staff clean slum areas under Bengaluru Central City Corporation as part of a special cleanliness drive for Swachh Survekshan 2025–26 ranking on Monday

Crime hub under Kasturinagar flyover turned into safe place for walkers

MOHAMMED YACOOB @ Bengaluru

UGLY, unsafe space under the flyover at Kasturinagar on the Outer Ring Road has now been turned into a public space. The area will now provide space for planing a large number of native trees for clean air and recreational activity, thanks to the resilient local community.

The achievement was made possible by NGO India Rising Trust and a few other local organisations striving for reclaiming the footpaths and ensuring pedestrians' rights. They cleared the filth and debris from the space, laid cobblestones and installed benches and lights to make the area a safe public space. The local community also thanked GBA officials for their cooperation in making it possible.

Local residents said the space had been a hub of illegal and immoral activities, compromising the safety of pedestrians, motorists and local residents. "The India Rising Trust took the approval of GBA Chief Commissioner M Maheshwar Rao and garnered Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds for the project. The trust supervised the design and execution of the project," said Abhijith MS, a member of the Kasturinagar Welfare Association.

These developments were at no cost to the GBA or Bengaluru Central City Corporation."A track for walking is already constructed and discussion is on about what to do with the leftover space," said Arun Pai, a member of Walkaluru, an organisation that reclaims footpaths and works to ensure pedestrians' rights.

Pai said a large number of native saplings will be planted in the surrounding area, and the place will be inaugurated soon. "The GBA first cleared the debris and waste. We built a retaining wall to prevent vehicles from entering the space. Open space is designed on an elevated surface to prevent flooding. The design of the benches is such they can accommodate many people," Pai said.

"Unused public places, if left unattended, can turn into an eyesore and sometimes become unsafe. Hence, we appreciate local residents and NGO taking ownership and make such places fit for public use. The GBA will extend full cooperation in clearing debris and garbage to help such organisations. Such spaces need to be identified, and a plan needs to be formulated on how to develop them in collaboration with the government, CSR, NGOs and local organisations," said Rao.

Special cleanliness drive held in 34 slums

BENGALURU: With the objective of maintaining cleanliness and transforming the area into a waste-free zone, as well as securing a better ranking in Swachh Survekshan 2025–26, the Bengaluru Central City Corporation (BCCC) on Monday conducted a special cleanliness drive in 34 slums and their surroundings under the 10th phase of the project and safely disposed of approximately 12.8 quintals of waste. "Awareness was also created among the public to avoid littering in and around these areas, said BCCC Additional Commissioner (Development) Daljit Kumar. A total of 275 pourakarmikas and 88 other sanitation staff participated in the drive," said Kumar.

KIA records 38°C, IMD forecasts rain in two days

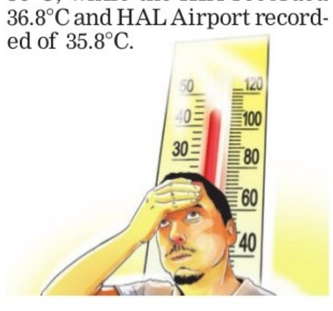
BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE maximum temperatures in the Bengaluru region varied from 36.2°C to 38.2°C on Monday. Even as the highest temperature of 38.2°C was recorded at Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) in Devanahalli, the Bengaluru city recorded a maximum of 36.3°C and the HAL Airport observatory recorded a maximum of 36.2°C.

The IMD on Monday said the maximum temperature in the region may increase by 2–3 degrees Celsius during the next 36 hours. IMD (Bengaluru) Director N Puviarasan said because of wind discontinuity, local convections and formation of other systems, Bengaluru is likely to receive rainfall from Wednesday or Thursday. He said that a forecast of 1–2 cm rainfall has been issued. Even though this will bring a short respite, the temperatures will again start to rise.

Puviarasan said that it is not abnormal for Bengaluru to not experience rainfall in the month of April or even to experience heavy thunder showers. In 2024, Bengaluru received no rainfall in April. An all time high rainfall of 10.86cm was received on April 19, 2001.

The City on Sunday recorded a maximum temperature of 36°C, while the KIA recorded 36.8°C and HAL Airport recorded of 35.8°C.



WEST ASIA CRISIS

Mock blackout, air raid drills in B'luru today, public invited

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IN view of the emerging geopolitical situation and ongoing conflict in parts of West Asia, the Directorate General of Civil Defence under the Ministry of Home Affairs has ordered holding of an air raid and blackout mock exercise as a precautionary measure.

Accordingly, a blackout mock drill will be conducted at the Home Guards and Civil Defence Headquarters campus in Bengaluru, at 5.30pm on Tuesday.

Officials said the exercise aims to enhance public preparedness and awareness in the event of an emergency. The public has been invited to attend and learn about safety measures and response protocols. The Ministry of Home Affairs stated that there is no cause for panic, emphasising that the exercise is part of routine preparedness efforts. "Preparedness and awareness are key to safety," the advisory stated.

According to a public safety advisory issued by the Directorate of Home Guards and Civil Defence, Karnataka, an air raid alert (official warning issued to inform people there is an imminent aerial threat) may be communicated through civil defence sirens, police or other government-installed siren systems, as well as mobile alerts and radio or television broadcasts.

The advisory outlines different siren types and corresponding civilian responses. A wailing siren with a rising and falling tone indicates an air raid warning and calls for immediate action. In such situations, residents are advised to move to the nearest shelter or indoors immediately, switch off gas and electrical appliances, and stay away from windows, balconies and glass facades. People should take cover in reinforced or inner areas and avoid using lifts. Intermittent or short sirens indicate the need to follow specific instructions from authorities and remain alert for possible escalation.

As part of blackout measures aimed at reducing visibility to hostile aircraft, residents are instructed to switch off all internal and external lights, cover windows with thick curtains or boards, turn off illuminated signage and façade lighting, and minimise vehicle movement. If travel is unavoidable, dim lights should be used, and mobile flashlight usage in open areas should be avoided.

For safe evacuation and sheltering, citizens are advised to follow instructions issued by Civil Defence personnel, police and wardens, and move to basements, underground parking areas or inner rooms away from external walls, while assisting the elderly, children and persons with disabilities.

PIC FOR REPRESENTATION

2-day expo on remote sensing from Wednesday

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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THE Karnataka State Remote Sensing Applications Centre (KSRSAC) will organise a two-day state-level exhibition and student innovation model competition on the theme Technologies for Managing Planet Earth on April 29 and 30. The event will be held at at the KSRSAC office in Bengaluru.

The event is part of the state's K-GIS 2.0 initiative, aimed at strengthening geospatial governance and promoting advanced technologies such as GeoAI and drone-based mapping in planning and development.

A major highlight of the event is the Student Innovation Model Competition, which has attracted 143 concept submissions from engineering institutions across Karnataka. Following expert evaluation, 46 innovative models have been shortlisted. These models focus on real-world challenges such as climate change, water management, agriculture, smart cities, and disaster resilience, said an official release.

The exhibition will also feature participation from leading geospatial and drone industry organisations, along with demonstrations of KSRSAC's initiatives and applications in governance. In addition, technical sessions and panel discussions by experts from industry, academia and the government will be held to provide insights into emerging trends, career opportunities and policy perspectives in geospatial technologies, the release said.

The event is aimed at promoting innovation, strengthening industry–academia collaboration and building capacity in geospatial technologies, while inspiring students and young professionals to contribute towards sustainable development. The exhibition is open to all.

No heatwave yet, but high humidity making people uncomfortable: IMD

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"Region-wise graphs and statistics are uploaded on the website real time. Information for the next seven days of each region is also uploaded. Citizens can also call up weather offices for details before planning their trip," he said.

This year, there have been good western disturbances, due to which parts of Northwest and Northeast India have experienced rainfall. They will continue to receive rainfall over the next few days. Above-normal temperatures have been reported in southern and central India so far.

The temperatures normally rise from May in most parts of India, and citizens should be cautious, he advised.

IMD has forecast rainfall and gusty winds for central and southern India over the next seven days. Heatwave conditions will prevail over Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Odisha, Rajasthan, Haryana, Chandigarh, Telangana, Rayalaseema and surrounding areas for the next couple of days. Hot and humid conditions will prevail over Konkan, Kerala and Tamil Nadu for the next couple of days.

IMD-Bengaluru Director N Puviarasan said that though no heatwave alert has been issued for Karnataka, people are feeling uncomfortable because of high temperatures and humidity.

IMD issued a yellow alert for Bagalkot, Belagavi, Koppal, Dharwad, Gadag, Koppal, Uttara Kannada, Haveri, Vijayanagar, Ballari, Davanagere, Chitradurga, Shivamogga, Chikkamagaluru, Udupi, Vijayapura, Yadgir and Dakshin Kannada for the next two days.

According to IMD data, Kalaburgi on Monday recorded a maximum of 42.6 degrees Celsius, 1.3 degree Celsius above normal, Bidar recorded 42.4 degrees Celsius (3 degrees Celsius above normal), Raichur 41 degrees celsius, Tidagundi 40.3 degrees Celsius and Vijayapura 40 degrees Celsius.

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

28th April : Trine of Flower Power In some versions of the origin story of Mars, the warrior god wasn't born of Jupiter and Juno together but conceived when Juno touched an enchanted flower given to her by Flora. A war god born of a blossom feels fitting when one considers the haunting loop of flowers – they cover the battlefield, are given in victory and romance, and return again in mourning. A full circle traced in petals.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You're called on -- requested by name -- but the choice to answer the call is still yours. The challenge may seem inconvenient. There's never a comfortable time to stretch because stretching is, by definition, a bit uncomfortable.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)
"The poets have been mysteriously silent on the subject of cheese," suggested G.K. Chesterton. Celebrate what you love and don't hold back. Maybe you'll be the first one, but you won't be the only one.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)
To believe is to stop searching. To stop searching is to lose the potential to know more. That's why it's wise to leave a little room for doubt, wide margins for wiggle room -- an opening for new light to shine in.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
Your attention is fluid today as you keep things moving at a nice clip. You dip in, gather what you need, stay flexible, responsive, able to pivot without getting stuck. Depth is a dive. Today is a glide.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
Opinions are temporary and functional. They don't have to be lifelong positions. Sometimes they're just tools for getting through a moment. You move past ideas that don't serve you without getting tangled in them.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
Today feels a bit like a maze, though at least it's a maze with an actual answer. This isn't about doing or undoing the impossible. It's just about trying a direction, then trying another one, until you find your way.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
Singing alone feels cathartic. Singing for an audience is a different experience -- one in which your feelings are laid bare. There's something you want to express, and express it you will, through something just as brave as a song.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
You're extra curious about what people care about. Ask how they got into it and what they enjoy most. Let them teach you something. You'll love being around the glow that happens when someone gets to share their interests.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
From the bottom of a well, the sky appears as a small circle. Though you've never been to the bottom of a well, you've been restricted. You've known perceptual limitations. And you continue to climb to an expanded worldview.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
The you inside is always different from the you outside. That discrepancy just comes with being human. Today brings the opportunity for self-compassion and a kind of reconciliation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Needing things to happen only in one way limits your options for who you can work with, where you can go, or what you must pay. Instead, set your heart on the general goal, then let life work out the path there.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
Because you know someone very well, you don't have to try hard to understand them. You get what they mean when they say everything, and you also know exactly where they're coming from when they say nothing.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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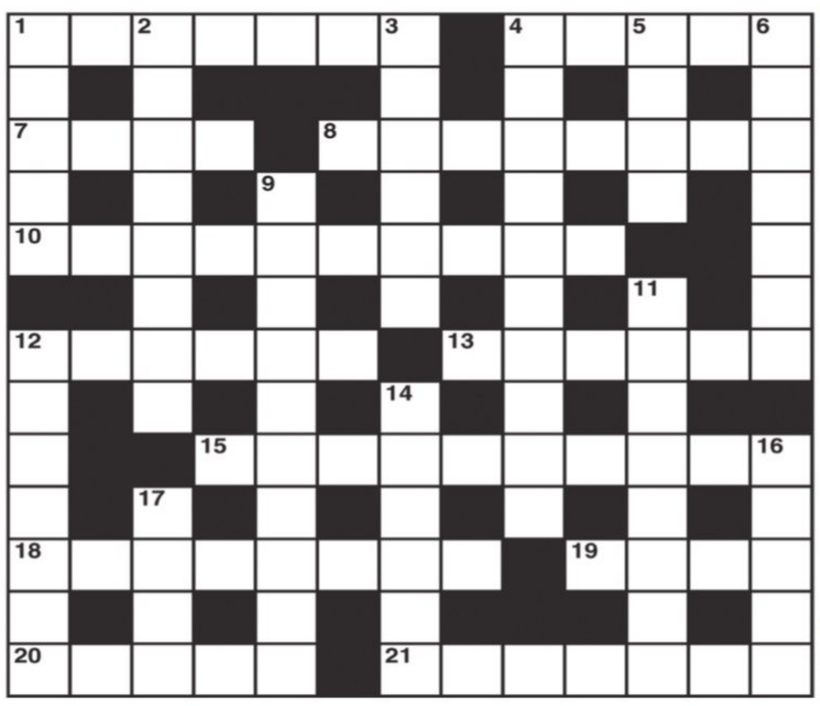

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Get out of a tight situation (5,2)
4 Dreams about inspiring women (5)
7 Out-and-out row (4)
8 They will keep on watch in the ship (8)
10 One without a car needs a trip out (10)
12 Spot the dog is in free from danger (6)
13 Fashion design made one's name (6)
15 Conjuring appears a fashionable career (10)
18 Story of the underground (8)
19 Wager about a pound (4)
20 One out of bed seen going upstairs (5)
21 I sorted out the ones with views (7)

DOWN

1 A bit of a dust-up (5)
2 Monk who founded an order on Scottish mountain (8)
3 Depart agitatedly. It may explode! (6)
4 Chalice man spilt unthinking (10)
5 Looks up and down (4)
6 We object during pay out to hold up (7)
9 Moon starer? Perhaps (10)
11 To her Ian may appear as a charmless character (4-4)
12 The usual object of retirement (7)
14 Cat goes under piano in spring (6)
16 Records some music (5)
17 Gives us directions for Customs? (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Crystal ball, 9 Inbreed, 10 Range, 11 Tank, 12 Try again, 14 Napkin, 16 Anodes, 18 Tiresome, 19 Solo, 22 Orion, 23 Auditor, 24 Close season.

Down: 2 Robin, 3 Stern, 4 Adders, 5 Bargains, 6 Lanyard, 7 Distinction, 8 Tennis court, 13 Dissents, 15 Partial, 17 Smears, 20 Outdo, 21 Idea.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Is that "Double, Double Toil and Trouble"? That's a great book!
I think it's really going to help my magic!
THE WITCH BOUGHT A BOOK OF CHARMS AND INCANTATIONS HOPING IT WOULD FINALLY ---

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: CREPT KHAKI JINGLE LEGACY
Answer: When the child star had a meltdown during filming, she was just — ACTING HER AGE

Speaking on the Dr Raj memorial controversy, JD(S) Youth Wing President Nikhil Kumaraswamy allegedly slammed Chetan Ahimsa and said he speaks on Anna and that he is a publicity lover

Impersonator gets 7-year RI, Rs 1.15 crore fine

Man pretending to be Ex-CM Dharam's PS cheats people by promising BDA sites

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

A man who impersonated as personal secretary of then Chief Minister N Dharam Singh and collected money from several gullible persons on the pretext of getting them allotted sites from Bangalore Development Authority under the CM's discretionary quota, has been sentenced to seven years rigorous imprisonment with a hefty fine of Rs 1.15 crore by a city civil and sessions court.

The court noted the accused, John Michael, had impersonated himself as the personal secretary of the then chief minister, which is a serious aspect. The accused is a habitual offender, having been convicted in two other cases before this court, the court said.

A City Civil and Sessions Judge Satish J Bali passed the order on April 25, sentencing Michael, who was working as a marketing executive, on the charge sheet filed by the Criminal Investigation Department after it was entrusted with the case.

The commission of the offence was in 2005, and the report of the case was in 2010, following the complaint filed by N Sridharan, with Ramamurthy Nagar police in the city, for inducing the victims to deliver a sum of Rs 1.14 crore.

The accused was charged for the offences punishable under IPC Sections 419, 420, 465, 468 and 471.

The investigating officer secured the presence of the accused, who led to a place where he had allegedly burnt seal, etc., which were used to create sale deeds, lease cum agreement of sale, allotment letter and the necessary mahazar were drawn at that place and a laptop and printer, which were allegedly used by the accused to create those forged documents were also recovered during the investigation.

HC: Won't quash case against man taking pics of women on Metro

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THE Karnataka High Court on Monday refused to quash the criminal proceedings against 28-year-old BK Diganth, who was booked for allegedly clicking the photos of women travelling on the Metro from the backside and posting them on an Instagram page.

Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the order dismissing the petition filed by the accused challenging the proceedings pending against him before the trial court.

Before this, the court, when the petition was taken up for hearing, told the petitioner's counsel: What do you do? You take pictures of women from the back and post them on an Instagram page. What nonsense is this? What kind of man

are you? How can you do it? Don't even leave the Metro to be safe? You don't leave women to be safe anywhere.

Then the petitioner's counsel submitted that the very investigating officer is the complainant. Then the court orally noted that there was no amount of technicality. We will not permit such things to happen, and technically cannot override such acts of yours. The time has come that we should stop on technicalities on such things, the court added.

The petitioner's counsel replied that no offence was made against the petitioner, to which the court asked whether clicking photos of women from behind and posting them on an Instagram page is not an offence, dismissing the petition.

Banashankari police had registered a case against the accused under the provisions of the BNS and the I-T Act last year.

COOLING NATURALLY

As the temperature crosses 35 degrees Celsius on Monday, Bengalureans find cool relief in sipping tender coconut water | VINOD KUMAR T

BODIES OF WOMAN, DAUGHTER FOUND IN ANEKAL FARM POND

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE bodies of a 28-year-old woman and her eight-year-old daughter were found in a farm pond at Lakshmisagara village in Anekal taluk on Saturday.

The deceased have been identified as Leelavathi alias Lavanya and her daughter Lakshya, residents of Lakshmisagara. Leelavathi's parents suspect the involvement of her husband and his family members in the case. The incident is suspected to have happened between 3.45 pm and 6 pm. Leelavathi's father P Rajendra Reddy filed a complaint against his son-in-law Sampath Kumar and three others on Sunday.

Leelavathi was a housewife. Sampath owns a shop in Hosur. Reddy claimed that Sampath used to harass his daughter for silly reasons. Sampath forced her to divorce him on several occasions. Reddy also accused Sampath of having extramarital affairs. Leelavathi is said to have informed her father many times about the harassment. Sampath married Leelavathi in May 2017, a police officer said.

Reddy suspects that his daughter and granddaughter might have been forcibly pushed into the pond. "According to preliminary investigations, Leelavathi jumped into the pond with her daughter. No arrests have been made so far. Investigations are on," the officer said.

A case of abetment to suicide under Section 108 of BNS has been registered against four people, including Sampath.

Rotting body of woman found at her home

BENGALURU: A 34-year-old woman from Jharkhand was found dead in a rented house in Adugodi on Monday. The house owner found her body in a semi-decomposed state. The deceased, **Pooja Dutta**, was unmarried and working at a private company in the city. Her neighbours alerted the house owner after a foul smell started coming from the house. The door was forced open, and the body was found lying naked and blood splattered on the floor. The house owner, Janakamma, said the victim was staying for the past three years on the third floor of the building and a man used to visit her frequently. Janakamma had often heard the two arguing. The police have sent the body for postmortem. **ENS**

Woman dies; electrocuted, claims hubby

BENGALURU: A 30-year-old woman was found dead at her home in Gowdahalli, in Adugodi police station limits, on Monday morning. She is suspected to have died from electrocution. The victim's family has alleged foul play by her husband. The deceased, Sujatha, was from Heggere in Tumakuru district. She had married Chetan, a real estate businessman, about 10 years ago. Police said, Chetan stated that around 7.30am, Sujatha suffered an electric shock while using the washing machine and was rushed to a nearby hospital, where she was declared brought dead. The body was sent for postmortem to Victoria Hospital. The victim's family stated that the couple had frequent disputes, and Sujatha was living with her parents for the past three months due to alleg-ed harassment. About a week ago, Chetan and his mot-her reportedly convinced her to return to their residence. The family suspects her death is not an accident. **ENS**

DG RPF reviews security at Bengaluru railway hubs

DG (RPF) Sonali Mishra inspects a railway station in Bengaluru | EXPRESS

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DIRECTOR General of the Railway Protection Force (RPF), Sonali Mishra, conducted a high-level inspection of major railway stations in the Bengaluru Division on Monday, assessing security, passenger management during the summer rush, and staff welfare.

The visit covered key railway stations including Bengaluru Cantonment, KSR Bengaluru, Krishnarajapuram, and Sir M Visvesvaraya Terminal, reviewing preparedness for increased passenger flow, including the creation of holding areas.

Mishra inspected CCTV surveillance systems, baggage scanners, and passenger areas at the stations. She also examined the Integrated CCTV Command Centre, focusing on camera resolution and operational efficiency. Addressing personnel at a 'Sainik Sammelan,' she emphasised the use of technology and data analytics to curb organised crime and human trafficking.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Application Notification No. 565/STBA/04/2026

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites sealed applications for Engagement of Station Ticket Booking Agents (STBA) at the following Railway stations over Bengaluru Division of South Western Railway for issuing of Unreserved/General Tickets through Unreserved Ticket System (UTS) on commission basis for the period as mentioned against the station:

Sl.	Name of the Station	Station Code	Station Category	Period of contract
1	Hindupur	HUP	NSG-4	As per the Policy Guidelines received from Railway Board
2	Whitefield	WFD		
3	Mandya	MYA		
4	Ramangaram	RMGM		
5	Tumakuru	TK		

Date and Time of submission of application : From 10:00 Hrs. to 15:00 Hrs. of 29-05-2026.

Date and time of opening of application: 15:05 hrs. of 29-05-2026

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IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER, BENGALURU SOUTH SUB-DIVISION AT BENGALURU

R.A (A) No. 44 of 2026

BETWEEN: **MR. SYED ALTAF** & others ...APPELLANTS

AND: THE TAHSILDAR & others ..RESPONDENTS

SUMMONS UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 READ WITH SECTION 151 OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, 1908 TO RESPONDENT No. 2 to 15

MR. S.K. ABDUL BASHEER, S/o late Khasim Sab, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk – 562125. **MR. ABDUL RASHEED,** S/o late Khasim Sab, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk – 562125. **MRS. MAHABOOB BI,** D/o late Khasim Sab, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk – 562125. **MRS. NOORJAN,** D/o late Khasim Sab, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk – 562125. **MRS. ZAREEN TAJ,** W/o late Abdul Salam, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk – 562125. **MR. NAZIR,** S/o late Abdul Salam, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk – 562125. **MRS. MOHEEN TAJ,** D/o late Abdul Salam, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk – 562125. **MR. ZAMEER,** S/o late Abdul Salam, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk – 562125. **MR. SHABEER,** S/o late Abdul Salam, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk – 562125. **MRS. SHANU,** D/o late Abdul Salam, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk – 562125.

SRI. RAMASHESHAIAH, S/o late Nanjappa, No. 280, Near Hope Farm Whitefield, Bengaluru-66 **SRI. S.V. JAYA PRAKASH,** S/o S. Venkatarayappa, Somanathapura Village Pathapalya Hobli, Bagepalli Taluk, Kolar District – 561207

M/s PRESTIGE VALLEY VIEW ESTATES (P) LTD, No. 303, Copper Arch #83, Infantry Road Bengaluru-01. **SRI. C. RAMASWAMY,** S/o Chinnaswamy, Chimpakadamma Swamy Nivasam Sarjapura Village and Hobli Anekal Taluk – 562125

Take notice that the appellant has filed the above appeal seeking to Call for records pertaining to Schedule 'A' and 'B' Properties and set aside the following Mutation Orders - MR No. IHC 2 of 1985-86 with respect to Sy No. 3 measuring 3 acres 39 guntas and Sy No. 4 (New Sy No. 4/2) measuring 1 acre 25 guntas; MR No. 44/1994-95 with respect to Sy No. 3 (New Sy No. 3/1) measuring 2 acres; MR No. 3 of 2002-03 dated 27.08.2002 with respect to Sy No. 3 (New Sy No. 3/2) measuring 1 acre 34 guntas; MR No. 3 of 2007-08 dated 22.03.2008 with respect to Sy No. 3 (New Sy No. 3/2) measuring 1 acre 34 guntas; MR No. 2 of 1997-98 dated 06.12.1997 with respect to New Sy No. 4/2 measuring 1 acre 28 guntas along with 10 guntas karab; and MR No. 3 of 2006-07 dated 25.01.2007 with respect to Sy No. 4, New Sy No. 4/2 measuring 1 acre 38 guntas including 10 guntas, of Chikkadunnasandra Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk and to direct the Respondent No. 1 to enter the name of the Appellants in the concerned Revenue Records in respect of the Schedule 'A' and 'B' Properties after following necessary procedures as per the provisions of Karnataka Land Revenue Act and Rules.

You are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the appeal on **30/04/2026 at 3.00 PM.** failing which, the appeal will be disposed of in your absence as ex parte. **Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this 27/04/2026.**

Assistant Commissioner Bengaluru South Sub-Division Bengaluru

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APPENDIX-IV A

[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice For Sale of Immovable Asset Under The Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 Read With Proviso To Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the Public in general and the Borrower / Mortgager in particular that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS" basis on 20.05.2026 for recovery of Rs.31,92,748/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Eight Only) as on 23.04.2026 and interest from 24.04.2026** with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. due to the **State Bank of India, Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bengaluru** from the Borrower **Sri. Mohammed Afzal S/o Sri.Mohammed Noorulla.**

The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable properties to be sold will be as under:

Property No.	Reserve Price (below which the property will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit	Bid increment amount	Date & Time of e-Auction of property	Last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
1.	Rs. 67,50,000	Rs. 6,75,000/-	Rs. 50,000/-	20.05.2026 11:00 A.M to 4:00 P.M	On or before 19.05.2026 up to 04.00 P.M

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

TENDER No.: SBI/NV/JR/2026-27/43 | PROPERTY ID: SBIN200009917026

SCHEDULE A PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing converted Survey No.100/2, Old Survey No.100, Present BBMP Katha No. 21, Situated at Hormavu Agara Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk, presently within the administrative jurisdiction of BBMP, {Converted for Non-Agricultural residential purposes, vide Conversion Order No.ALN(E)SR(KH)64/2011-12 dated 23.08.2011, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore). Totally Measuring 23 ½ Guntas, with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on : **East by :** Road & Sy.No. 95 belonged to Pillashetty, **West by :** Road & Sy.No. 99 belonged to Nanjundappa, **North by :** Sy.No.101 belonged to Muniswamappa, **South by :** Road and remaining portion of same Sy.No.100/1 (Old Sy No.100)

SCHEDULE B PROPERTY

486 Sq.Feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule A above.

SCHEDULE C PROPERTY

Flat bearing No.410, in the Fourth Floor, measuring about 1585 Sq.Feet super built up area, containing Three Bedrooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified Flooring together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase etc, in the multistoried residential building known as "TRANQUIL GREEN" constructed over Schedule A Property, Standing in the name of **Sri. Mohammed Afzal S/o. Sri.Mohammed Noorulla, Represented by his GPA holder Sri. Mohammed Noorulla S/o. Sri.Mohammed Khasim.**

FIFTEEN DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER "SARFAESI" ACT, 2002

The Borrower / Mortgagor is hereby noticed to pay the sum mentioned above within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the Bank shall sell the property as per the provisions laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor represented by the Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, J.C Road, Bengaluru ie., **http://www.baanknet.com**

For further details regarding inspection of the properties the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer as mentioned above or Bank's Approved Resolution Agent, **M/s Sri Devi Resolutions Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore Representative: Sri. Chayapathy, Cell No.: 9901902500.**

To the best of knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on any of the above said properties.

Sd/-
Authorised Officer & Chief Manager,
State Bank of India,
Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bengaluru.

Date : 24.04.2026
Place : Bengaluru

FOCUS FEATURE

UMA REDDY: ENGINEERING A LIFE OF PURPOSE, GRIT AND QUIET LEADERSHIP

Long before she stepped into boardrooms or led industry conversations, Uma Reddy, the President of Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce and Industry, was a quiet, grounded child shaped by responsibility. Born in Andhra Pradesh and raised in Bengaluru, she grew up in a household where values mattered more than visibility.

Her father, Rajashekhar Reddy, and her mother, Sita, instilled in her a simple but powerful principle - be honest, take responsibility and face situations as they are. As a young girl, Uma naturally stepped into roles that demanded maturity, whether it was running errands, managing tasks or supporting her family in everyday ways.

These early experiences did more than build discipline - they created a mindset. One that believed in doing things right, without shortcuts and being balanced.

Even during her engineering years, she displayed an instinct for initiative. What began as helping a neighbour's child with mathematics soon turned into teaching multiple students. It was her first experience of learning, managing time and creating impact - without even realising she was laying the foundation for entrepreneurship.

An Unplanned Beginning

Uma Reddy did not set out to become an entrepreneur. In fact, she often says she didn't even know the word when she began.

During a college break, she chose to learn circuit design at a small unit instead of remaining idle. What started as curiosity quickly turned into opportunity when she was paid for her work. Encouraged, she took a bold step - approaching Bharat Electronics directly for assignments.

The response she received changed her trajectory: she needed to start a company.

In the era of the License Raj, this was no small task. It took months of persistence to secure approvals. Yet, by the time she graduated, she had already taken her first steps into business.

Despite receiving a job offer like most graduates, she chose otherwise. A moment of clarity made her realise that the satisfaction of building something of her own far outweighed the security of employment. That decision led to the birth of Hi-Tech Magnetics & Electronics - an enterprise she built from the ground up.

Building with Grit

The journey was anything but easy. The early years were defined by uncertainty - shortages of raw materials, workforce challenges and technology changes. But Uma approached each problem with a clear mindset: face it, fix it and move forward.

Her leadership style is rooted in transparency. She believes in telling clients the truth, even when it is uncomfortable. For her, trust is built not by perfection, but by honesty.

Planning became another cornerstone of her approach. While she acknowledges that not everything goes according to plan, she strongly believes that direction comes from having one. Over time, this discipline helped her grow her business steadily, creating jobs and building credibility in a highly technical industry.

Breaking Barriers Without Noise

Entering manufacturing when few women did, Uma Reddy focused on work, not recognition. She acknowledges persistent bias but responds with consistency, not confrontation. Believing women prove themselves repeatedly, she defines empowerment through confidence, competence, networking and active participation in mainstream enterprise. She also highlights the importance of professionalism, resilience and self-belief, encouraging women to step forward, take ownership and establish credibility through performance and persistence.

Values That Define the Journey

At the core of Uma Reddy's journey is a strong value system rooted in honesty and accountability. A self-described workaholic, she approaches every task with commitment and resists leaving anything incomplete. She believes in asking without hesitation, a mindset that has helped her build connections, create opportunities and open doors for herself and others.

Beyond her professional life, her family reflects a similar spirit of enterprise and discipline. Her daughter, Nirmitha Reddy, is also an entrepreneur and runs URU India, focusing on Indian artisanal products - a business line distinctly different from Uma's own. Her husband, C Prem Kumar, is a Chartered Accountant who has been part of the corporate sector, bringing his own professional depth to the family's journey.

Leadership and a Larger Canvas

While her identity is deeply rooted in entrepreneurship, Uma Reddy's journey naturally expanded into leadership roles that shaped industry and community. This path ultimately led her to the presidency of FKCCI, a historic institution representing the voice of business in the state.

Her association with FKCCI spans decades - beginning with committee roles, moving through leadership responsibilities and culminating in her becoming its President. For her, it was not a sudden rise, but a gradual evolution driven by contribution.

As President, she brings a systems-driven approach, focusing on structure, transparency and accountability. Initiatives such as strengthening processes and reinstating global standards reflect her belief that institutions must evolve with clarity and discipline.

Yet, for her, the role is not about position - it is about responsibility. It is an opportunity to contribute to a larger ecosystem that supports entrepreneurs.

Uma Reddy defines success through creation, integrity and purpose, building with resilience, fairness and a clear conscience, rather than chasing recognition.

Bengaluru Urban Deputy Commissioner G Jagadeesha said on Monday that preliminary investigation into incidents of removing janivara (sacred thread) of three students appearing for CET in a private college in the city has been completed and a detailed report will be submitted soon to the Karnataka Examination Authority

Something brewing? PWD min's Delhi visit sets tongues wagging

Amid possible cabinet reshuffle, Jarkiholi, Mahadevappa meet AICC chief Kharge

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @Belagavi

THE abrupt visit of PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi to New Delhi on Monday has triggered intense speculation in political circles back home, especially amid ongoing discussions about a possible cabinet reshuffle and party reorganisation in Karnataka.

During his visit, Jarkiholi met Randeep Singh Surjewala, All India Congress Committee (AICC) in-charge for Karnataka, and is understood to have held detailed discussions on the evolving political situation in the state.

Sources said Jarkiholi met AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge in connection with the ongoing political developments here. The timing of his abrupt trip has assumed significance as it comes against the backdrop of heightened lobbying within the ruling Congress over a cabinet reshuffle and selection of a new KPCC president.

Adding to the intrigue, sources said Social Welfare Minister Minister H C Mahadevappa also landed in New Delhi later in the night, fuelling further speculation that a series of high-level consultations may be under way with the party's central leadership.

The government led by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has been witnessing growing pressure from within the party for a cabinet rejig. Several legislators and senior leaders have been lobbying for ministerial berths, while others are pushing for portfolio changes, citing regional and caste representation imbalances.

Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar, who also heads the state Congress unit, has been at the centre of internal discussions, with sections of the party advocating a separation of organisational and administrative roles.

According to informed sources, the Congress high command is weighing multiple factors, including governance performance, and upcoming electoral considerations, before taking a final call. The visits by key state leaders to Delhi are being closely watched as possible indicators of impending decisions.

While no official statement has been issued on the purpose of Jarkiholi's visit, political observers remain divided on whether the trip is purely administrative or linked to leadership changes and cabinet restructuring.

PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi and Social Welfare Minister H C Mahadevappa meet AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge in New Delhi on Monday | EXPRESS

'Good news' in second week of May, says MLA

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SEVERAL senior and first-time MLAs in the state continued exerting pressure on the Congress high command for cabinet berths ahead of a possible revamp of the state cabinet.

According to sources, at least 40 legislators are in touch with the party top brass in an attempt to make it to the cabinet amid speculation that the Congress leadership is contemplating replacing at least 20 ministers with new faces.

Legislative Assembly Chief Whip and MLA **Ashok Pattan** on Monday said the party high command has assured "good news" in the second week of May, fuelling fresh speculation over a possible cabinet reshuffle. He said Randeep Singh Surjewala, All India Congress Committee (AICC) incharge for Karnataka, had conveyed this. "We have been told to expect good news (by the party leadership) in the second week of May, and we are waiting for it," he said. He noted that the results of the five state Assembly elections, due on May 4, could play a role in subsequent developments. "After the results, around 40 MLAs will travel to New Delhi to meet the high command once again," he added.

On whether DCM D K Shivakumar would receive a "birthday gift" in the form of political elevation, Pattan said the decision rests entirely with the party leadership. "It is up to the high command to decide. I wish him well and extend advance birthday greetings,'' he remarked, reiterating the demand for a cabinet reshuffle.

On remarks by Union Minister H D Kumaraswamy on Minister D Sudhakar, Pattan strongly criticised Kumaraswamy, calling his comments insensitive. "At a time when a person is on ventilator support, it is inappropriate to make such statements. One must not forget basic humanity in such situations," he said.

CM Siddaramaiah, DCM DK Shivakumar and Revenue Minister Krishna Byregowda during the inauguration of the renovated building of Karnataka Administrative Service (KAS) Officers' Association in Bengaluru on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

CM to KAS officers: Keep corruption, middlemen out

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah has appealed to Karnataka Administrative Service (KAS) officers to stray away from corruption, and keep "middlemen" outside the office space.

He was speaking after inaugurating newly constructed rooms of the renovated building of the Karnataka Administrative Service (KAS) Officers' Association here on Monday. The CM said delays in processing files leads to corruption, and officers must be honest in their duties and see that files are processed quickly. He also asked for KAS officers to be socially sensitised. "There is an opportunity to engage in public service until retirement. In a society where there is inequality, the weaker sections should be responded to. Officers should have knowledge of the law, as well as general knowledge and awareness of society," he said.

Siddaramaiah also wanted the officers to reach people at the grassroots level, especially those belonging to the state's rurality. "If we talk to rural people with love and understand their problems and solve them, they will not forget you," he said, adding that the officers should utilise their responsibilities to the utmost towards public service.

At the event, the CM promised that promotions were due to occur soon. "The revenue minister (Krishna Byre Gowda) is working on the promotions; 33% of officers will be promoted as chief executive officers (CEOs)," he said.

Eleven additional rooms have been constructed in the KAS Officers' Association, which will be utilised for officers visiting from other districts. Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar, Revenue Minister Krishna Byre Gowda, KAS Officers' Association president Shivaswamy and others were present.

GUNDU RAO SAYS OTHER CONG NETAS SHOULD ALSO GET A CHANCE

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hubballi

STATING that there is no confusion in the government and all have been working together, Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao on Monday stressed the need for a cabinet reshuffle in order to give other deserving Congress leaders a chance to become ministers and serve the people. However, the party high command and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah have to take a decision in this regard, he told reporters here.

Reacting to Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar's remark, "What has to happen will happen," Rao said, "There is no confusion among those in the government. We are all united and working together. All of us are bound by the high command's decision."

The government is in its third year and many in the Congress expect a cabinet reshuffle. "We will abide by whatever decision the party takes. Everyone should show maturity," he said. Regarding the alleged irregularities in purchases made by the health department during the pandemic, he said the D'Cunha Commission has conducted an inquiry and it appears that there has been considerable misuse of funds.

Stating that approval has been given for recruitment of 225 doctors, he said steps would soon be taken to appoint them and other health staff. He said the intention of not letting generic medicine stores in government hospitals was to make available only government-supplied medicines. But some people approached the court against the government order, so their operation continues now. In view of heat wave conditions in parts of the state, a health advisory has been issued.

CET FOR TEACHER RECRUITMENT SOON, SAYS MINISTER

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Shivamogga

School Education and Literacy Minister Madhu Bangarappa said his department would move swiftly on teacher recruitment following the state cabinet's decision on internal reservation for scheduled castes.

Confirming that preparations for CET are on and the test will be held soon, the minister said directions have already been given to department officials to process the recruitment drive, including hiring around 5,800 vacancies in aided schools.

"The highest recruitment in the entire state happens in my department," he said. "People have studied hard and are waiting patiently. I know their struggles. I will not delay anything unnecessarily." On the recently declared SSLC results, Madhu went on the offensive against former chief minister Basavaraj Bommai and MLC H Vishwanath, both of whom had questioned whether the improved pass percentage was genuine. Bommai had suggested that lowering the passing marks from 35 to 33 had artificially inflated results.

The minister dismissed the charges with numbers. He said only 1,482 students, a mere 0.15 percent of total candidates, had crossed the line because of the threshold change. He pointed out that 33 marks is the standard passing benchmark across most states and that central government administrative reform bodies had long recommended this standard.

Bangarappa credited the improvement in results to a series of reforms introduced by his department over the past two years, including webcasting of all exam halls, which he said Karnataka pioneered nationally and which CBSE has since adopted permanently. He also cited the mega parent-teacher meeting held across government schools last year, free electricity to government schools, and three-stage preparatory exams for SSLC students.

The minister reserved his sharpest words for Vishwanath, saying the former minister had no business questioning results while himself having moved between parties without winning a public election and currently sitting as an MLC. "The children have already answered him through their marks. I do not need to," he said, though he added that he would not respond harshly given Vishwanath's age.

On Bommai, he reminded that exam hall cameras were switched off during the BJP government's tenure, allowing widespread copying, and that the Congress government under Chief Minister Siddaramaiah had introduced webcasting precisely to stop the practice. "You taught children to cheat. We taught them to study. The results speak for themselves," he said. Later, the minister honoured students who scored the highest marks in the SSLC and II PU examinations.

School Education and Literacy Minister Madhu Bangarappa felicitates students who secured high marks in the SSLC exam, at his office in Shivamogga on Monday

BJP MP PC Mohan and other leaders submit a memorandum to Bengaluru Police Commissioner Seemanth Kumar Singh on Monday | EXPRESS

BJP leaders want Khalid event cancelled

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA BJP members on Monday gave a memorandum to Bengaluru Police Commissioner Seemanth Kumar Singh to cancel an event supporting activist Umar Khalid. Khalid is in jail in connection with allegations of conspiracy behind the 2020 Delhi riots. Editors of 'Umar Khalid and His World' are expected to read excerpts from the book in Bengaluru on Tuesday, followed by a discussion. BJP members have raised objections.

The delegation led by senior BJP leader and Bengaluru Central MP PC Mohan, who spoke to the media later, said the state government should not permit the release of a book related to Umar Khalid, who is in Tihar Jail under UAPA in connection with the 2020 Delhi riots case. He said Khalid is an anti-national and a key accused in the 2020 Delhi riots, in which several people lost their lives and property was damaged. "What is the the need to glorify an accused who is still in jail?" he questioned.

Mohan said permission should not be granted for the book release event scheduled at Bangalore International Centre in Domlur. "We are here to give a formal appeal to the Police Commissioner in this regard,'' he stated.

Top brass may delay decision on leadership change

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @Bengaluru

THOUGH the camps of both Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and DCM DK Shivakumar are keeping their fingers crossed over the Congress high command's decision on approving either a cabinet reshuffle or change in leadership after May 5, when results of elections to five Assemblies and bypolls to two seats in Davanagere South and Bagalkot will be announced, the party leadership may further postpone the decision in the wake of polls to four Rajya Sabha and seven Council seats in Karnataka that are likely in May-June, sources said.

The terms of four Rajya Sabha members, including that of AICC president and Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha Mallikarjun Kharge, will end on June 25, 2026 and the notification for the biennial elections are likely to be notified in the first week of June. A senior Congress leader said these polls are crucial as Congress can win three out of four seats.

Congress chief whip in the Council Saleem Ahmed, a strong contender for a ministerial berth, said the cabinet will be reshuffled before May 20 as the Congress government will complete its three years in office then. But in Kalaburagi, Jewargi MLA Ajay Singh, also an aspirant for a cabinet berth, on Monday said the reshuffle could happen in June.

Shivakumar's camp members, especially his brother-in-law and Kunigal MLA Dr HD Ranganath, on Monday said the high command will hand over the reins of power to their leader on May 15, his birthday. He again cited an agreement between Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar that was reportedly arrived at soon after the party came to power in 2023.

"It is true that there is 100% confusion. We are repeatedly urging the high command to resolve this quickly. The agreement is on everyone's mind. The high command must decide on what that agreement is and let both leaders speak on it. Siddaramaiah has done good work. Many party workers like me hope that Shivakumar fills the post," he said.

Siddaramaiah's supporters, however, believe that he will continue as CM. But if the stepping down becomes inevitable, an AHINDA leader, like Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara, could be asked to take over the mantle. They insist that the high command should allow the Congress Legislature Party (CLP) to elect the chief minister, like in the case of Siddaramaiah in 2013 and 2023. This was the line of discussion when Siddaramaiah's supporters met at Urban Development Minister Byrathi Suresh's apartment on Cunningham Road for dinner on Thursday.

At the same time, Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi will not risk replacing Siddaramaiah as CM, as in other Congress-ruled states of Telangana and Himachal Pradesh, leaders from forward castes -- Revanth Reddy and Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu -- are chief ministers. If the Congress-led United Democratic Front (UDF) comes to power in Kerala, again leaders from forward castes, like AICC General Secretary (organisation) KC Venugopal, senior leader Ramesh Chennithala and VD Satheesan, all from Nair community, will be in race for the post, a Congress leader from a backward caste told TNIE.

M'luru HC bench proposal runs into opposition, practical challenges cited

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@ Bengaluru:

THE proposal to establish a bench or circuit bench of the Karnataka High Court in Mangaluru, that would help the people of Udupi, Mangaluru, Kodagu, Hassan, Shivamogga, Uttara Kannada and other surrounding areas, has sparked sharp opposition from a section of the legal fraternity, with critics warning that the move could aggravate existing challenges rather than resolve them.

The demand for a High Court bench in coastal Karnataka has long been championed by local bar associations and political leaders, and delegations from Dakshina Kannada have submitted representations to the Chief Justice. However, a section of advocates has flagged multiple practical and logistical concerns. A key issue raised is the acute shortage of judges at the principal bench in Bengaluru. The High Court is already grappling with vacancies, and critics argue that deputing judges to a new bench in Mangaluru would further strain judicial capacity, increase case pendency and burden the remaining judges. They insist that filling existing vacancies must take priority before any expansion is considered.

Concerns have also been raised over inconvenience to litigants. The proposal reportedly seeks to bring districts such as Shivamogga and Chikkamagaluru under the jurisdiction of the Mangaluru bench. Lawyers argue that for many from these regions, Bengaluru is more accessible than Mangaluru, and a shift could create avoidable hardship.

Financial and infrastructural challenges form another major point of contention. Establishing a full-fledged bench would require substantial investment in buildings, staffing, and maintenance. Critics note that the existing bench at Kalaburagi has faced low pendency and there is not as much fresh filing as expected. There are also upkeep issues, raising questions about the feasibility of setting up another bench.

Opponents argue that the concept of circuit benches is increasingly outdated in the digital era. They advocate strengthening e-governance measures such as e-filing and virtual hearings, which could improve access to justice without the high costs and logistical hurdles of a physical bench.

EXPRESS READ

Internal quota: Nomadic SCs to move high court

Bengaluru: Nomadic Scheduled Caste communities have decided to move the Karanataka High Court against the Siddaramaiah cabinet's decision on internal reservation, stating that their inclusion in Category C was nothing but "injustice". At a meeting at Gandhi Bhavan here on Monday, community representatives also decided to hold a massive 'Swabhimani Samavesh' at Freedom Park in Bengaluru in the last week of May to "expose" the government. The alliance of Untouchable Nomadic Communities of Karnataka has decided to continue the legal fight to keep 49 nomadic communities in Category A and get 1% reservation. Since a petition was already filed in the recent past, an additional petition will be filed in the High Court challenging the government order to be issued based on the cabinet decision, the leaders said. ENS

Customs officials have recovered 19.57 kg of hydroponic ganja at Terminal 2 of Kempegowda International Airport, estimated to be worth about Rs 6.85 crores. Two passengers, both flying in from Bangkok, had concealed the contraband inside their checked-in luggage

EXPRESS READ

K'taka extends school upgradation deadline

BENGALURU: The Department of School Education and Literacy has issued an order allowing unaided pre-primary, primary and high schools to start and apply for class upgradation till May 30. The department has prohibited the enrolment of students before obtaining an official registration certificate from the competent authority. Under the Right to Education Act, a minimum teaching period of 800 hours for classes 1 to 5 and 1,000 hours for classes 6 to 8 is made mandatory. Institutions whose applications were rejected have the opportunity to file an appeal online within 30 days.

Gadkari reviews NH projects in Karnataka

BENGALURU: Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari held a review meeting on Monday with Union Ministers of State Harsh Malhotra and Ajay Tamta, and other concerned officials, on the quality and maintenance progress of National Highway projects in Karnataka, following feedback received through media and social media. Gadkari reviewed a total of 7,926 km of National Highways in Karnataka and advocated for timely execution of works, adherence to strict quality standards, and adoption of advanced technologies.

NH 275 TO GET 2 MORE WILDLIFE UNDERPASSES

BK LAKSHMIKANTHA @ Mysuru

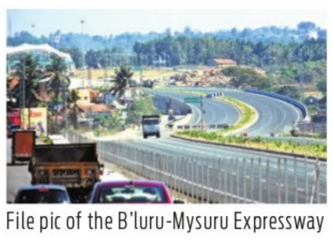
TO ensure the safe movement of wild animals, the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has undertaken construction of two dedicated wildlife underpasses along the Mysuru–Bengaluru access-controlled NH 275. These underpasses are being built at Gowdahalli village in Srirangapatna taluk and Hanakere village in Mandya taluk.

Wildlife underpasses and overpasses are designed to facilitate safe animal movements, reduce habitat fragmentations and minimise animal-vehicle collisions. In addition, large fences have been installed along the roadside to prevent animals from straying onto the main carriageway.

For the project, the NHAI has used up 20.85 hectares of forest land in Bengaluru South district and 8.42 hectares in Mandya district. In November 2025, a leopard was killed on the service road of the Mysuru–Bengaluru highway near Subbanakuppe Junction at K Shettihalli in Srirangapatna taluk after being hit by a speeding vehicle while crossing the road.

According to an NHAI official, several measures to reduce accidents involving wild animals have already been implemented along the highway. These include underpasses at Mayaganahalli in Ramanagara taluk and at Kethohalli in Ramanagara taluk and an overpass near Subbanakuppe in Srirangapatna taluk. However, work on the approach roads for the overpass is pending forest clearance. Another wildlife underpass has also been constructed at M Shettihalli village in Srirangapatna taluk.

Construction of underpasses at Gowdahalli and Hanakere started in January 2026 and is scheduled for completion within two years.



File pic of the B'luru-Mysuru Expressway

FROM FARM TO MARKET

Workers pack freshly harvested cucumbers on a farm near Chikkamagaluru on Monday | PTI

No more competitive examinations in B'luru college after janivara row

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

URBAN deputy commissioner G Jagadeesha said on Monday that a preliminary investigation into incidents of removing janivara (sacred thread) of three students appearing for CET in a private college in the city has been completed and a detailed report to the Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA) will be submitted soon.

"We have recommended not to conduct any competitive exams in that private college henceforth. We have also made other recommendations to avoid such incidents during CET and other competitive exams in the future," he said.

On April 23, Anand S Theertha, Nakul H, and Anirudh R Rao were allegedly forced to remove their janivara just before appearing for the CET in the private college at Koramangala. An FIR was registered against Sudhakar D, Saritha R and Girijamma of the college in Madiwala police station. The college principal suspended them after the incident.

A committee headed by the additional deputy commissioner of Bengaluru Urban was formed to conduct an investigation into those incidents. To avoid such incidents, KEA had issued dress code for students and deputed trained dress code officers to 745 CET centres across the state.

Accused enter without passes, vandalise CCTV network

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FURTHER inquiry revealed that the two accused, who work for a sub-vendor company named IVS Digital Solutions, had entered the stadium around 11.30 am without valid passes, using deactivated access cards. They allegedly tampered with and damaged the NVR (Network Video Recorder) systems and fibre connections, disrupting the existing setup and destroying previously installed infrastructure.

The FIR stated that the action of the accused was caught on other CCTV cameras installed at the stadium. They were seen entering the CCTV control room without authorisation and moving towards a junction box near the parking area, where they damaged the optical fibres. As the cameras covering critical security areas like the gates, perimeter zones, D Corporate Stand and concourse, the company was unable to provide necessary surveillance data or live feeds to the police.

A senior police officer said that a case has been registered under Section 324(4) (mischief) of BNS. The two accused were secured and are being questioned. The accused reportedly revealed that they had taken up installing, wiring and other CCTV-related work at the stadium. But despite repeated requests, they were not paid their dues. Also negative response from the company angered Manjunath, who, along with Kalam, acted intentionally, the officer said. The system was damaged in the morning. The wires were later repaired and the cameras were made functional, which did not affect police operations.

ACCUSED CONDUCTED RECON ACROSS KARNATAKA, SAYS NIA

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THE court on April 18 had reserved order on the sentencing of Shariq who is currently in judicial custody in the Bengaluru Central Prison at Parappana Agrahara. In December 2025, he had submitted a guilty plea under section 229 of the CrPC. The court in March 2026 had accepted the confession.

NIA, in a press release, stated that the investigation found the accused to have been radicalized into the ideology of the proscribed ISIS terror outfit by his associate, Arafath Ali, an accused in the Shivamogga IS Conspiracy case who is already undergoing six years of RI.

"Shariq had conspired with co-accused Syed Yasin and a foreign-based IS online handler to promote terror activities in India with the aim to disturb the society through IED attacks. He was also involved in fund raising activities for IS. On the instructions of his online handler, he had exchanged explosive materials with Syed Yasin and had absconded after the arrest of Yasin and others in the Shivamogga IS Conspiracy case in September 2022. Shariq has forged identity documents, used fraudulently obtained SIM cards and bank accounts for terror financing, and frequently changed mobile phones to destroy evidence," the central agency said.

He had established a hideout in Mysuru, procured IED raw materials and conducted reconnaissance of sensitive target places across Mangaluru, Davanagere, and Udupi areas of Karnataka, as per NIA investigations. After taking over the case, NIA arrested two individuals and unravelled the larger IS terror module involved in the anti-India conspiracy. NIA, in coordination with other agencies, is continuing to probe the conspiracy, the release added.

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This is to inform to the General Public that my clients **M/s NAURITHYA PROPERTIES PVT LTD.**, Having its Office at Brigade Twin Towers Tower 2, No. 0201E, 2nd Floor pipeline road HMT Ward, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore – 560022, Represented by its **Managing Director Mr. Raghavendra,** have entered into Joint Development Agreement with **Mr. YOGESH.M, S/o Sri. Munishamaiah .M.G** (owner of the Schedule Properties), which is more fully described in the Schedule below. If any person/s having any claims, charges, objections, attachments, right, title and interest whatsoever over the Schedule Property or portion thereof in any manner whatsoever, may forward their objection/s if any, fully supported by documentary proof/s to the undersigned within 7 (seven) days from the date of publication of this Notice, failing which my clients will deem that the Schedule Property is free from all kind of encumbrances and proceed for completion of the sale transactions by getting the sale deed registered in their favor and thereafter no claims will be considered/entertained.

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Item No. I : All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Land bearing **Sy No.117/1,** measuring to an extent of **05 Acres 24 Guntas** along with **01 Acre 30** Guntas of Kharab Land, situated at Honnasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. **05 Acres 24 Guntas** and bounded on:-

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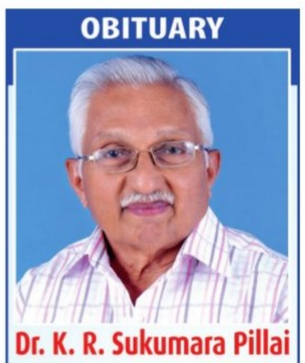

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DEMAND NOTICE TO THE BORROWER / CO-BORROWER / MORTGAGOR

Reg: Notice issued under Sec 13 [2] of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 [SARFAESI Act] for recovery of dues in the following loan **A/c** sent to the below mentioned:

Borrower: 1.M/s.Omar Enterprises, Represented by Mrs.Mubeenunnisa, SBM Iyengers Hot Bakers and Sweets, G Floor, 1859/4, RPC Layout, 5th Main Road, Vijaya Nagar Stage 2, Bangalore-560 040, **Co-Borrowers / Guarantors: 2.Mrs.Mubeenunnisa,** W/o.Khaja Bandey Nawaz, **3.Mr.Khaja Bandey Nawaz,** S/o.Syed Ali, **Both at,** No.511, 5th Floor, Sky Height Cader Appartment, Hosahaili Main Road, Padarayanapura, Bangalore-560 026; The Bank had **issued notice under the SARFAESI Act on 10.04.2026; NPA Date: 05.04.2026;** Nature of Loan: **Loan Against Property (A/c.No.1732220730000001) - ₹ 57,50,000/-;** Amount Outstanding: ₹ **58,03,743/-** (Rupees Fifty Eight Lakh Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Three Only) **as on 06.04.2026** and this amount will bear subsequent interest and other charges at contracted rate from 07.04.2026

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: Schedule A Property: All that piece and parcel of immovable property being a **Plot,** now known as and bearing **Corporation No.1/3, situated in 1st Cross, Padarayanapura,** in Corporation Ward No.43, New Ward No.136, **Bangalore,** PID No.43-119-1/36, within BBMP, Bangalore and bounded on the East by: Muslim Burial Ground, West by: Private Property (Earlier belonged to Mr.Lakshmaiah) North by: Hosahalli Main Road, South by: Cross Road Private Property, Measuring: East to West 100 feet, North to South on the Eastern Side 187 Feet on the Western Side 157 Feet Together with all appurtenant, advantages, open spaces, marginal space/land, privileges and Benefits. **Total Area: (1) 100x187/157/2 = 100x172= 17,200 Sq.Feet., (2) 10x30 = 300 Sq.Feet, The Total Site Area of the Schedule Property is 17500 Sq.Feet.** Out of the Said Area, **1840 Sq.Feet** has been Left for Road widening and Balance Site area is **15,660 Sq.Feet** Available For Development.

Schedule B Property: Item No.I: 168.02 Sq.Feet of undivided share, right, title and interest in the land comprised in the composite immovable property bearing **Corporation No.1/3, situated in 1st Cross, Padarayanapura,** in Corporation Ward No.43, New Ward No.136, **Bangalore,** PID No.43-119-1/3, The site area of the Item No.1 Works out to **168.02 Sq.Feet.**

Item No. II: Apartment No.511 on Fifth Floor having super built-up area of 1084 Sq. feet of the said **Residential apartment building known as SKY HEIGHT CADER** constructed on Schedule A property, which is bearing C**orporation No.1/3, situated in 1stcross,Padarayanapura,** in Corporation Ward No.43, New Ward No.136, **Bangalore,** PID No.43-119-1/3, with Solid Blocks, Cement Plaster, RCC Roofing, Vitrified Flooring and Aluminium Windows Together with Proportionate Share and Entitled to all the Common Amenities Such Aslobbies, Staircase Swimming Pool and all other Amenities and Facilities, with Rights to Pass through all the Common Passage Leading to the Road and Free Egress and Ingress at all times along with the Owners of the Entire enclave.

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Date : 10.04.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Ltd**

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Date : 27.04.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer / Chief Manager**
Place : Bengaluru **Central Bank of India**

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(Through **GOK** KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** only) The Executive Engineer, Bommanahalli & Arakere Division, South Zone-2,BSCC, Bengaluru-68 invites tenders from eligible contractors registered In Bengaluru South City Corporation, Bengaluru or equivalent registration with KPWD/CPWD/BWSSB/MES/Railways/National Highway or any State Government Organizations for the construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl No.	Name of the works / Categoary
1.	Establishment of temporary monsoon control room in Arakere sub Division (Ward No.56, 57 and 58 - each Ward 2.50 Lakhs) (Others) **Estimate Amount ₹.7.50 Lakhs, EMD ₹. 18,750.00**
2.	Establishment of temporary monsoon control room in Jaraganahalli sub Division (Ward No.53, 54 and 55 - each Ward 2.50 Lakhs) (Others) **Estimate Amount ₹.7.50 Lakhs, EMD ₹. 18,750.00**
3.	Establishment of temporary monsoon control room in Bilekahalli sub Division (Ward No.59, 60, 61 - each Ward 2.50 Lakhs) (ST) **Estimate Amount ₹.7.50 Lakhs, EMD ₹. 9,375.00**
4.	Establishment of temporary monsoon control room in Bommanahalli sub Division (Ward No.62, 63, 64 - each Ward 2.50 Lakhs) (Others) **Estimate Amount ₹.7.50 Lakhs, EMD ₹. 18,750.00**
5.	Establishment of temporary monsoon control room in Mangammanapalya sub Division (Ward No.67, 68, each Ward 2.50 Lakhs) (SC) **Estimate Amount ₹.5.00 Lakhs, EMD ₹. 6,250.00**
6.	Establishment of temporary monsoon control room in Singasandra sub Division (Ward No.65, 66, each Ward 2.50 Lakhs) (CAT-1) **Estimate Amount 1 ₹.5.00 Lakhs, EMD ₹. 6,250.00**

Calendar of Events :(1)Tenders must be submitted online through KPP portal on or before **08-05-2026** upto **4:00** pm. (2) Tender Documents can be Downloaded from **29-04-2026**. (3) Last Date for Submission of tender documents on or before **08-05-2026** at **4:00** pm. (4) Financial Bid will be opened on **11-05-2026** after **4:30** pm onwards

Sd/- Executive Engineer
Bommanahalli & Arakere Division

BENGALURU SOUTH CITY CORPORATION
Office of the Executive Engineer, Padmanabhanagara Division, Opposite to Sagar Hospitals, Kumaraswamy Layout, Bengaluru-560111.
No:EE(PN)/TEND/01/2026-27 Date: 27-04-2026
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Single Cover System) **STD. KW-1**

(Through **GOK** KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** only) The Executive Engineer, Padmanabhanagara Division, Bengaluru South City Corporation, Bengaluru invites tenders from eligible contractors registered with Greater Bengaluru Authority (BBMP) or equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD/Railways/MES or any State Government Organizations for the construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl No.	Name of the works / Categoary
1.	Establishment of temporary monsoon control room in Padmanabhanagara sub Division (Ward No.1-2 and 3) for the year 2026. (Others) **Approximate Value of Work ₹.7.50 Lakhs, EMD ₹. 18,750.00**
2.	Establishment of temporary monsoon control room in Banashankari sub Division (Ward No.4-5 and 6) for the year 2026. (Others) **Approximate Value of Work ₹.7.50 Lakhs, EMD ₹. 18,750.00**

Calendar of Events : (1) Tender must be submitted online through KPP Portal on or before **08-05-2026** upto **4:00** pm. (2) Tender will be opened on after **11-05-2026** at **10:05** am

Sd/- Executive Engineer
Padmanabhanagara Division

IN THE COURT OF ADDITIONAL DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE (COMMERCIAL COURT) BANGALORE RUAL DISTRICT AT BANGALORE
Com. O.S. No.104 /2026

BETWEEN : Union Bank of India, Kogilu Branch, At No. 1, Ground Floor, and First Floor, V. K. Complex, Kogilu Layout, Yelahanka , Bangalore - 560 064. **...Plaintiff And**
M/s. Shree NHK Enterprises , represented by its Proprietor Mr. Hemanth N
... Defendant

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC

M/s. Shree NHK Enterprises No. 563, Third Floor, 4th Main Road, 10th Cross, Agrahara Layout, Bangalore - 560 064, Represented by Proprietor Mr. Hemanth N., S/o. Mr. Nataraja R., Aged about 27 years, **Also at :** No. 108, 14th Cross Road, 1st Main, Agrahara Layout, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 064.

SUMMONS FOR SETTLEMENT OF ISSUE (ORDER V RULE 20(1))

Whereas the above named Plaintiff has instituted the commercial original suit against you for recovery of money of sum of **Rs.3,66,000/-** (Rupees Three Lakhs Sixty Six Only) as on 31.01.2026 together with future interest at the rate of 12.95 % p.a. from the date of suit till realization.

Therefore you are hereby summoned to appear in person or by a pleader dully instructed before the XI Additional District and Sessions Judge (Commercial Court), Bangalore Rural Distirct (CCH-11) on **02.05.2026** at 11.A.M. to answer the claim. Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day aforementioned. The suit will be heard and determined in your absence, placing you ex-parte.

Given under my hand the seal of the Court of this Court the **18th day of April 2026.**

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
Commercial Court Unit
City Civil Court, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff : R. K. Amarnath, No.7, 1st Floor, Off Diagonal Road, V. V. Puram, Bangalore - 560 004.

IN THE COURT OF ADDITIONAL DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE (COMMERCIAL COURT) BANGALORE RUAL DISTRICT AT BANGALORE
Com. O.S. No.103 /2026

BETWEEN : Union Bank of India, Kogilu Branch, At No. 1, Ground Floor, and First Floor, V. K. Complex, Kogilu Layout, Yelahanka , Bangalore - 560 064. **...Plaintiff And**
M/s. Shree NHK Enterprises , represented by its Proprietor Mr. Hemanth N
... Defendant

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC

M/s. Shree NHK Enterprises No. 563, Third Floor, 4th Main Road, 10th Cross, Agrahara Layout, Bangalore - 560 064, Represented by Proprietor Mr. Hemanth N., S/o. Mr. Nataraja R., Aged about 27 years, **Also at :** No. 108, 14th Cross Road, 1st Main, Agrahara Layout, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 064.

SUMMONS FOR SETTLEMENT OF ISSUE (ORDER V RULE 20(1))

Whereas the above named Plaintiff has instituted the commercial original suit against you for recovery of money of sum of **Rs.9,00,000/-** (Rupees Nine Lakhs Only) as on 31.01.2026 together with future interest at the rate of 11.05 % p.a. from the date of suit till realization.

Therefore you are hereby summoned to appear in person or by a pleader dully instructed before the X Additional District and Sessions Judge (Commercial Court), Bangalore Rural Distirct (CCH-10) on **01.06.2026** at 11.A.M. to answer the claim. Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day aforementioned. The suit will be heard and determined in your absence, placing you ex-parte.

Given under my hand the seal of the Court of this Court the **18th day of April 2026.**

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City Civil Court, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff : R. K. Amarnath, No.7, 1st Floor, Off Diagonal Road, V. V. Puram, Bangalore - 560 004.

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BENGALURU-MAHALAKSHMI LAYOUT BRANCH
No 13/1, 3rd Cross, Ganesha Block, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru, Karnataka- 560086
Mobile No. - +91 9321704502, Email Id- ubin0904503@unionbankofindia.bank.in
DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)] of SARFAESI ACT 2002
NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) READ WITH SEC.13(3) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

'We, **Union Bank of India** had issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged and returned due to non-availability of addressees at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1(a) Mr. Praharsh Navilae R.S/o Mr. K R Renuka Prakash,#44/B 11 th Main,Near Nandini Public School,4 th Block, Nandini Layout,Bengaluru - 560096 **1(b) Mr. K R Renuka Prakash**S/o Late Revan Sidappa #44/B 11 th Main, Near Nandini Public School, 4 th Block, Nandini Layout, Bengaluru - 560096 **1(C) Mrs. Prabha PrakashW/o Mr. K R Renuka Prakash** #44/B 11 th Main, Near Nandini Public School, 4 th Block, Nandini Layout, Bengaluru - 560096. **[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]**

Type of Facility	Outstanding amount	Interest (Dummy + URI)	Penal Interest (Simple)	Cost/Charges incurred by Bank	Total dues
Education Loan 560721000048971	Rs. 25,75,574.64	Rs. 69,464.00	0.00	0.00	Rs. 26,45,038.6

Total Liability Amount: Rs. 26,45,038.64 (Rupees twenty six lakh forty five thousand thirty eight and paise sixty four Only) together with interest thereon.
NPA Date : 10.03.2026 **Demand Notice Dated : 11.03.2026**

SCHEDULE A OF THE PROPERTY :

Mortgage of immovable property described herein below: All that piece and parcel of residential site bearing new no. 261/933, Old Site no. 261, BBMP Khata No. 740/261/933, 5 th Main Road, GKW Layout, Laggere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru - 560058 admeasuring North to South 40 ft and East to West 30 ft totaling 1200 Sq.Ft. bounded by : East by: 5th Main, West by: Site No.235, North by : Site No.262 , South by : Site No. 260

Date : 27.04.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Union Bank of India**

Minister of Health and Family Welfare Dinesh Gundu Rao has said that in recent times, diseases such as cancer, heart attacks, diabetes, hypertension and kidney-related ailments are becoming more prevalent due to diet, lifestyle and environmental factors. He stressed the importance of being vigilant and adopting healthy habits

Rival factions trade blows at Panchamasali mutt

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Davanagere

CHAOS and pandemonium prevailed at the Panchamasali Mutt in Hanagavadi, Harihar taluk of Davanagere district, on Monday, as two rival factions — one backing the expelled seer Vachanananda Swamy and the other supporting the trust — exchanged harsh words.

During the 'Lekka Kodi' programme organised on the mutt premises, members of both groups not only traded accusations but even went so far as to exchange blows. The timely intervention of the police prevented the situation from escalating further. Meanwhile, the trustees led by chief trustee BS Umapathi released the mutt's accounts from 2008 up to the present, along with bank details.

The trustees of Harihar Panchamasali Mutt held an account-submission programme, during which the tense drama unfolded between the two groups. Before proceeding to the accounting programme, the trustees visited the spot where

the statue of Mahanta Swamiji is installed and offered garlands to the former swamiji. At that time, a group of devotees aligned with Swamy raised slogans against the trustees. Unable to tolerate this, the faction supporting the trustees retaliated with slogans against Swamy as well, alleging that Vachanananda Swamy had spread resentment and bitterness among the community members.

Later, a scuffle broke out between the two groups. During the incident, Vachanananda Swamy remained seated silently and watched the proceedings. While the Swamy-aligned group shouted slogans accusing the trustees of theft, the trustees' faction responded by alleging that Swamy himself was a thief. Police once again stepped in to separate the groups and bring the situation under control.

Former Ranebennur MLA Arun Kumar Poojar, who was present at the venue, witnessed the developments. Trustees BC Umapathi, HS Nagaraj (brother of former Harihar MLA HS Shivashankar), Chandrashekhar Poojar, Bhavi Bettappa and others were also present.

Lekka Kodi programme

The trustees proceeded towards the programme without uttering a word. As a precautionary measure, stringent police security was deployed. The trustees also furnished details of accounts right from the day they assumed office in 2008 up to the present, along with the bank account information.

Umapathi stated that the trust had now submitted accounts down to the paisa, and it was now Vachanananda Swamy's turn to account for the money collected from the public for 'Hara Jatre' and seek the acceptance of devotees. He also alleged large-scale misappropriation of funds by Swamy within the mutt.

Only 42.6% grads employable: Economist

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

ACCORDING to Mercer | Mettl's India's Graduate Skill Index 2025 report, only 42.6% of Indian graduates assessed were employable, and the stronger pockets of readiness is found in some technical domains such as AI and machine learning, said Prof Bhalchandra Mungekar, a well-known economist, educationist and former Rajya Sabha member.

Mungekar was addressing students at the second convocation of Dr BR Ambedkar School of Economics University in Bengaluru on Monday. He said, "The finding in Mercer | Mettl's report is significant, because it suggests that the problem is not simply whether students possess some technical exposure, but whether higher education is consistently developing broader job-ready and problem-solving capabilities across cohorts."

Mungekar said, "There are several reasons why many higher education institutions haven't been able to develop job-ready skills among students. It includes the gap between research production and innovation translation. Though the country has improved, the overall innovation ecosystem still falls short of the scale of its ambitions and population. At the same time, NAAC's own public statistics show that accreditation coverage has historically remained limited relative to the total size of the higher education system. This matters because innovation rarely grows in environments where basic academic quality, institutional systems, faculty development, and research culture are weak."

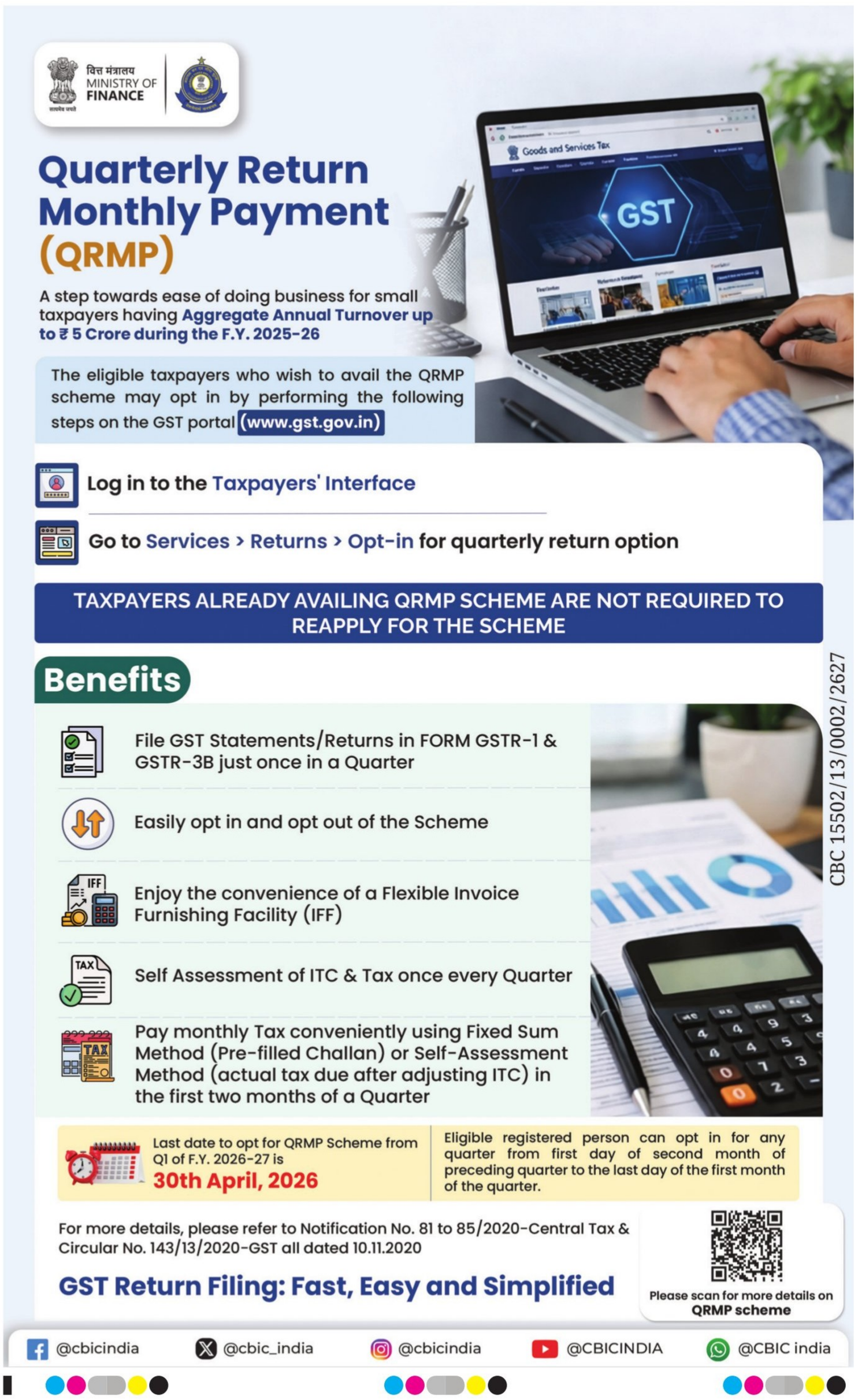
Gold medalists greet each other during the second convocation of Dr BR Ambedkar Economics University, in Bengaluru on Monday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Furthermore, many higher education institutions continue to be shaped by curriculum rigidity, discipline-specific compartmentalisation, teacher-centred instruction and examination-driven evaluation. "The next two to three decades will likely be decisive in determining whether Indian higher education becomes globally relevant or whether it remains trapped between scale and stagnation," he said.

Mungekar suggested some remedial measures that, if implemented successfully, can boost innovation in educational institutions. "Curriculum innovation must move from information possession to capability formation. The National Education Policy 2020 has already opened the conceptual space for multidisciplinary education, multiple entry–exit options, and more flexible academic structures for students. Thus giving space for more flexibility and modular education. Lecture-heavy classrooms suppress diverse forms of participation from students, therefore, implement active pedagogies to teach students," he explained.

Governor and Chancellor Thawarchand Gehlot, Higher Education Minister Dr M C Sudhakar and Vice-Chancellor Prof Vishwanath were among the dignitaries present at the event.

Six students including Meghna Prasheed, Paarvathi J, Gauri Agarwal, Divya U, Neha M and Priyanshu Shekar were awarded with gold medals for their academic achievements in various disciplines including MSc in Economics and MSc in Financial Economics. 17 rank certificates were also awarded to outstanding student performers in addition to giving degree certificates to 171 students.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MINISTRY OF FINANCE
Quarterly Return Monthly Payment (QRMP)
A step towards ease of doing business for small taxpayers having Aggregate Annual Turnover up to ₹ 5 Crore during the F.Y. 2025-26
The eligible taxpayers who wish to avail the QRMP scheme may opt in by performing the following steps on the GST portal (www.gst.gov.in)
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GST
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Go to Services > Returns > Opt-in for quarterly return option
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Enjoy the convenience of a Flexible Invoice Furnishing Facility (IFF)
Self Assessment of ITC & Tax once every Quarter
Pay monthly Tax conveniently using Fixed Sum Method (Pre-filled Challan) or Self-Assessment Method (actual tax due after adjusting ITC) in the first two months of a Quarter
Last date to opt for QRMP Scheme from Q1 of F.Y. 2026-27 is 30th April, 2026
Eligible registered person can opt in for any quarter from first day of second month of preceding quarter to the last day of the first month of the quarter.
For more details, please refer to Notification No. 81 to 85/2020-Central Tax & Circular No. 143/13/2020-GST all dated 10.11.2020
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Marriage made for heavens to open up; frogs wed in Ch'nagar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mysuru

WITH the Chamarajanagar region reeling under acute water scarcity in this scorching summer, villagers have started resorting to the age-old ritual of frog puja, hoping to bring in rain.

At Kempayyanatti village in Hanur taluk of Chamarajanagar district, villagers – especially children – are made to perform the traditional frog puja, a ritual rooted in folklore and belief in the region.

As part of the ritual, young children carried frogs inside a basket decorated with neem leaves on their heads, and walked through the village in a procession, singing traditional rain-invoking songs like "Baa Baa Maleraya".

The summer has been particularly harsh this year in this region, leaving ponds and lakes parched, while cattle struggle for both water and fodder. With no significant rainfall in the nearby regions, dried-up tanks and lakes pushed villagers to seek solutions beyond conventional means.

The scene evoked emotional responses from villagers, who gathered outside their homes to pour water over the children's heads as a gesture of blessing and participation in the ritual.

This practice has deep cultural roots, especially in the Mandya and Chamarajanagar regions. In many villages here, frog marriages or worships are performed during drought, based on the belief that such acts please the rain gods and bring showers.

After the procession, the children release the frogs safely back into their natural habitat, expressing hope that rain would soon follow.

SIGN OF OUR TIMES

Following disruptions in supply, an auto gas station puts up a 'no stock' board, in Mysuru on Monday | UDAYASHANKAR S

Man gets 20 years RI for raping minor girl

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kalaburagi

ADDITIONAL District and Sessions Court (POCSO Court) of Kalaburagi has awarded 20 years rigorous imprisonment (RI) and slapped a fine of ₹1.25 lakh on an accused who raped a minor, according to Public Prosecutor Shantaveera B Tuppad.

In a press note issued here on Monday, Shantaveer Tuppad has stated that the accused Sabanna s/o Malkappa Kattimani belonging to a village coming under the limits of Ratkal Police Station of Kalaburagi district kidnapped a 11 year and 10 month old girl of the same village when there were nobody in her house and she was playing in-front of her house.

The accused took the minor girl to a village at Bengaluru-Rural district and locked her in a room in the village from 16-10-2024 to 31-10-2024 and raped her continuously. Somehow, the father of the girl came to know about this and he managed to get back his daughter and filed the complaint at Ratkal Police Station.

EXPRESS READ

Teacher shoots self over work stress

Madikeri: A schoolteacher allegedly died by suicide following work-related stress and personal issues in Kodagu. The deceased has been identified as Rohini (51), a teacher at Cherambane Government Higher Primary School. Police said she died by suicide in the early hours of Sunday, using a single-barreled gun at her residence. Preliminary investigations suggest she was under stress due to Census work and her husband's heart ailment. She is survived by her husband and daughter. A case has been registered at Bhagamandala police station. ENS

System will link directly with office of advocate-general and govt advocates

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THE notification stated that all government litigation files connected to court orders and appeals will now be handled only through the e-office platform. This allows real-time tracking, helps spot delays quickly and makes officers accountable. The physical file movement is allowed only in rare cases. The system will link directly with the office of the advocate-general and government advocates so that all communication requests, legal opinions and monitoring of delays happens digitally. A centralised State-Level Litigation Dashboard will also be created that will give the chief secretary, Law Department and advocate general a single view of important data. The process will be fully electronic, transparent and closely monitored.

It will generate analytical reports on a monthly and quarterly basis, including department-wise compliance status, number of appeals and identification of stages where delays occur. "All departments shall ensure the implementation of SOP in its literal sense. Any deviation or lapses on the part of the department will be viewed seriously by the chief secretary," it stated.

Telangana is set to witness contrasting weather over the next few days, with scorching heat alongside intermittent rain and thunderstorms, the IMD said on Monday. Light to moderate rainfall is expected in parts of the state over the next three days

BRS PAST ITS EXPIRY DATE, SAYS REVANTH

MANDA RAVINDER REDDY
@ Hyderabad

TELANGANA Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy on Monday demanded that BRS president and former chief minister K Chandrasekhar Rao respond to the allegations and questions raised by his daughter, Kalvakuntla Kavitha, during the launch of her political party, Telangana Rashtra Sena.

Reacting to Kavitha's new party, the chief minister questioned its relevance. "What is the need for forming a new party? The real issue is whether the existing party (BRS) will survive or fade away. Every party is formed with a purpose, and once that purpose is fulfilled, it becomes history. The party founded by KCR has already served its purpose," he said. Describing the BRS as a "lifeless entity," he added, "Will a dead body come alive if it is decorated well? The expiry date of the BRS is over."

Alleging that the BJP and the BRS were working together, he claimed that the two parties had even contested together in Lok Sabha and local body elections. He challenged KCR to swear before God that he was not in touch with BJP leaders. He predicted that Telangana politics would eventually witness a direct contest between a Congress alliance and a BRS-BJP front.

During an informal interaction with reporters, Revanth said that while the BRS had a past, it had no future. He accused the party leadership of arrogance and misuse of power during its 10-year rule, adding that people tolerated it for a while but eventually voted it out.He further alleged that the Kalvakuntla family had lost touch with the public and was facing internal disputes. Drawing historical parallels, he said power struggles within families were not uncommon, but clarified that KCR was his political opponent and not a personal enemy.

The chief minister also claimed that there had been internal discussions within the BRS during KCR's tenure about appointing KT Rama Rao as chief minister. He alleged that negative sentiments towards KCR existed within his own family and said the BRS chief must address such issues himself.

Odisha heat claims 3, drives wildlife out as temp soars

ASISH MEHTA @Bhubaneswar

AS Odisha reeled under blistering hot conditions, three more persons, including two teachers, have died of sunstroke, taking the unofficial death toll to eight in the state. The latest deaths were reported from Mayurbhanj and Sundargarh districts where the temperature has been hovering in the range of 37 degree Celsius to 43 deg C.

In Mayurbhanj, a 50-year-old teacher, identified as Rajkapur Hembram, died after returning from census work on Sunday. Hembram was posted as an assistant teacher in Kakharua Baidyanath Government High School in Purinda village. He had visited Khamari village for census work and complained of uneasiness after returning home. His family rushed him to Pandit Raghunath Murmu Medical College and Hospital in Baripada. However, he passed away during treatment.

In Sundargarh, Gabriel Munda, a daily wage worker, died on Sunday afternoon at Fakirmunda village under Koida block. He was engaged in tube-well digging work when he fell sick.

A day earlier, another teacher, 34-year-old Anurag Ekka, died during treatment at Sundargarh Government Medical College and Hospital (SGMCH). His family members alleged he died due to sunstroke.

Sources in the Special Relief Commissioner's (SRC) office said that the eight deaths are being investigated. The alleged sunstroke deaths came amidst an intense heat spell across Odisha. On Monday, 14 places in the state recorded 40 deg C or more. Jharsuguda was the hottest at 44.7 deg Celsius. In fact, the excruciating conditions seem to be driving wildlife out of forest areas in search of water. In Angul district, a bison came out of Tileipathara reserve forest in search of water on Sunday night and reached Manjor canal where it got trapped and died. The incident was reported in Madhapur range of Athmallik division.

Forest officials learnt about the incident in the morning and informed the local fire department to rescue the animal. The rapid response team was also intimated. However, before the teams reached the spot, the animal died in the water.

TASTE OF SUMMER

People buy fresh summer fruits as rising temperatures drive demand for mangoes, watermelons and muskmelons in Chennai on Monday| P JAWAHAR

EXPRESS READ

Restore fuel supplies: YSRCP to Andhra govt

VIJAYAWADA: The YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) has demanded immediate restoration of fuel supplies in Andhra Pradesh, alleging government neglect has disrupted farming, transport and daily life. Former ministers Kurasala Kannababu and Vellampalli Srinivas said diesel shortage has stalled harvesters and hit aqua farmers and transporters. They noted fuel was available in neighbouring states but scarce here, with long queues at bunks. The leaders criticised Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu for failing to secure supplies. YSRCP alleged an 'artificial crisis' and warned of protests if supply is not restored within 48 hours.

Man exhumes sister's body to withdraw money

DEBASHIS MISHRA @ Keonjhar

STAFF of the Odisha Gramya Bank at Mallipashi in Keonjhar district were in for a rude shock on Monday after a 42-year-old tribal man arrived at the branch with the exhumed remains of his dead sister to withdraw money deposited in her account.

Jeetu Munda, a resident of Dianali village under Patna police limits, carried the mummified remains of his sister Kala Munda on his shoulder and reached the bank's Mallipashi branch at around 3 pm.

Sources said Kala had opened a savings account in Mallipashi branch and used to deposit money in it. She died two months ago at the age of 48. Family members performed her last rites and buried her near their house in Dianali village.

As Kala was unmarried, Jeetu went to the bank with his sister's passbook and tried to withdraw the money from her account. He reportedly did not inform the bank authorities of Kala's death. Jeetu went to the bank thrice but failed to get the money. One of the bank officials reportedly told him that he would be able to withdraw the money if he brought the account holder with him.

Being illiterate, Jeetu went back to his village, exhumed his sister's body, packed her remains in a plastic sack and carried it to the bank. On spotting the body on the bank's verandah, the shocked branch manager immediately alerted the local police.

Subsequently, a police team led by Patna IIC Kiran Prasad Sahu reached the spot.

Sahu along with bank officials tried to persuade Jeetu to take the body back to his village. The tribal man was finally convinced after the officials assured him of arranging the necessary documents required to withdraw money from Kala's bank account.

IIC Sahu said after getting the assurance, Jeetu took his sister's body back to his village and buried it at the same spot.

TDP supporters disrupt Hyd-based standup comedian's show

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

A Hyderabad-based stand-up comedian Sarat Uday's solo show in Koramangala's Ministry of Comedy, a comedy club, on Saturday evening was disrupted by a group of men claiming to be Telugu Desam Party (TDP) supporters.

They demanded an apology from Uday for his jokes on Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu and his son, Nara Lokesh, who is the Minister for Human Resources Development. The uproar at the comedy show was over the comedian's two year old video making jokes on Naidu, Lokesh and other political party leaders. He had uploaded the video on his YouTube channel.

The incident happened around 6.12 pm on Saturday. The TDP supporters were inside the club on the pretext of attending the show. When Uday started performing, a TDP supporter went to him and claimed that he was his fan. After shaking his hand, he demanded an apology for his jokes on the leaders. When Uday reminded the supporter of already apologising for the jokes, a few more persons went to the stage and attempted to frighten Uday and demanded a fresh apology. Sensing trouble, Uday apologised. They also insisted him to raise slogans in favour of Naidu and Lokesh, which Uday refused to do.

PUBLIC NOTICE

General public is hereby informed that my client **Sri. K.B. Santhosh Kumar,** S/o. K. Balan and **Faiz Ahamed.T.P,** S/o. O.V.Ahamed both R/at: Chokkahalli Village, Industrial Area, Kasaba Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District are the absolute owners of the schedule properties. They have lost their original sale deed vide No. HSK-1-04680/2011-12, book-1,CD No. HSKD-202 dated 21/09/2011. The same is registered in the office of Sub-Registrar, Hosakote. Inspite of their best efforts they could not trace the original sale deed. Subsequently they have lodged a police complaint at Hosakote Police station on 07/04/2026. If any person found the said original sale deed dated:21/09/2011 and Please intimate and handover the same to the above said my clients or to me. If any person enter into any transaction of sale or any other commercial transaction based on the said documents and the same is not binding on my clients right and title and the same is illegal. Apart from that, such person is liable for criminal prosecution under prevailing law.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the vacant **site No. 9 & 10** having municipal katha No. 4089/7092 and 4090/7093 New No. 17-526-9 both measuring **850 + 146.25 Totally = 996.25 sq.fts** and another **site No.10** having municipal Katha No. 4090/7093 measuring **400sq.fts** the above sites are situated at **Swamy Vivekananda Nagar, Hosakote town.**

S.V. RAMACHANDRAPPA, ADVOCATE,
No.8-32, Sri Chowdeswari Nilaya, 1st Cross, Govt. Middle School Road, Sir. M.V. Extension, Hosakote-562 114. Ph.9845601141.

IN THE COURT OF ADDITIONAL DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE (COMMERCIAL COURT) BANGALORE RUAL DISTRICT AT BANGALORE

Com. O.S. No.108 /2026

BETWEEN : Union Bank of India, Kogilu Branch, At No. 1, Ground Floor, and First Floor, V. K. Complex, Kogilu Layout, Yelahanka , Bangalore - 560 064. **...Plaintiff**

And

Mrs. G. Geetha ... Defendant

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC

Mrs. G. Geetha W/o. Mr .V. D. Chandrashekar, Aged about 35 years, No. 815, 12th Cross, Agrahara Layout, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 064.

Also at : No. 563, 10th Cross, 4th Main, Agrahara Layout, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 064.

SUMMONS FOR SETTLEMENT OF ISSUE (ORDER V RULE 20(1))

Whereas the above named Plaintiff has instituted the commercial original suit against you for recovery of money of sum of **Rs.9,67,647/-** (Rupees Nine Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Forty Seven Only) as on 09.02.2026 together with future interest at the rate of 11.05 % p.a. from the date of suit till realization.

Therefore you are hereby summoned to appear in person or by a pleader dully instructed before the XI Additional District and Sessions Judge (Commercial Court), Bangalore Rural Distirct (CCH-11) on **01.06.2026** at 11.A.M. to answer the claim. Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day aforementioned. The suit will be heard and determined in your absence, placing you ex-parte.

Given under my hand the seal of the Court of this Court the **24th day of April 2026.**

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
Commercial Court Unit
City Civil Court, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff : R. K. Amarnath,
No.7, 1st Floor, Off Diagonal Road, V. V. Puram, Bangalore - 560 004.

Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belagavi
"Jnana Sangama" Belagavi –590 018, Karnataka State

Ref. NoVTU/BGM/RE/2026-27 /IFT No.13 /352, Date: 24-04-2026

Short Term Tender Notification
Two Cover System (KPP Portal Only) 2nd Call

The e-Tender is invited in duplicate from eligible tenderers, registered Contractor, by the Registrar, Visvesvaraya Technological University, **"Jnana Sangama",** Belagavi-18, under standard tender document procedure K/W format for the work of Repair and renovation of Hostels of VTU, Regional Center, Mysuru amounting to **Rs.1,52,45,418/-** (Excluding GST) **2nd** Call. Other details log on to website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on **24-04-2026.**

Sd/-Registrar, VTU, Belagavi

DIPR/Belgavi/159/Deshpandepublicity/2026-27

RELIGARE FINVEST LTD
CIN:U74999DL1995PLC064132

Regd. Office : "First Floor, Office no. 101, 2E/23, Jhandewalan Extn. New Delhi-110055
Corporate Office : 7th Floor, Max House, Block A, Dr.Jha Marg, Okhla Phase III, Okhla Industrial Estate, New Delhi - 110 020
BRANCH OFFICE: No.421/G, 1st Floor, 1st Main Road, 1st stage, Indiranagar, Krishna Temple Road, Opposite to SBI Branch, Bengaluru-560038

APPENDIX-IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8(6) & proviso to Rule 9(1)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisos to Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgager(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor i.e. M/s Religare Finvest Ltd. (in short 'RFL'), the **Physical Possession** of which has been taken by the authorized officer of RFL, will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS", "WHATEVER THERE IS" and "NO RECOURSE"** basis through E-Auction. The E - Auction shall be conducted only through **"Online Electronic Bidding" through website https://www.bankeauctions.com/ on 02.06.2026 from 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.** with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes duration each for recovery of ₹ **4,48,00,635.95** (Rupees Four Crores Forty Eight Lakhs Six Hundred Thirty Five and Ninety Five Paise Only) as on **24.04.2026** due to the RFL from the Borrower(s) /Guarantor(s) / Mortgagor(s) namely, **1) M/s. Laxmi Powerloom Unit, 2) Smt.Mahadevaiah Sowbhagya, 3) Sri. H.G. Karthik Kaladhar and 4)Sri.H.T.Gurudev**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

ITEM - I: All that piece and parcel of **Property bearing Katha No. 1831/1, Door No. 1538/1,** Old Katha No. 926, New Katha No. 168/215/201/3810/1 situated at **Doddaballapura Town, 4th Ward, Gangarapete, District Bangalore,** bounded on East by: Property of Ajameera Jan; West by: Municipal Road; North by: House belonging to Syed Hussain Sab; and South by: Property of Jayadeva. **Measuring 30 ¾ ft. and North to South 15 ½ ft.**

ITEM – II: All that piece and parcel of **Property bearing No. 3813/ D. 3028, Door No. 3813,** Old Katha No. 1833/1/2855/2535, New Katha No. 219/205/3813, situated at **4th Ward, Doddaballapura Nagara, Bangalore Rural District, Karnataka, presently comes under the limits of BBMP** and bounded on: East by: Property of Patel Najappa; West by: Property of HT Gurudev; North by: Passage (Lane); and South by: Property of HT Gurudev. **Measuring 30X33 ft. and 31X40.6 ft.**

ITEM – III: All that piece and parcel of **Property bearing Katha No. 1832/2854/1539 & No. 3036/3027, Door No. 3811/3027,** New Katha No. 170/217/203/3811 situated at **Doddaballapura Town, 4th Ward, Gangarapete, District Bangalore, Karnataka, presently comes under the limits of BBMP** and bounded on: East by: Property of HT Gurudev; West by: Municipal Road; North by: Municipal Road; and South by: Property of HT Gurudev. **Measuring East to West: 40 ft. & North to South: 30 ft. & Totally measuring: 1200 sq. ft.**

ITEM – IV: All that piece and parcel of **Property bearing Katha No. 2852 & 3034, Old Door No. 2533/1538/1,** New Katha No. 167/214/200/3810, **New Door No. 3025/2533, situated at Doddaballapura Town, 4th Ward, Gangarapete, District Bangalore, Karnataka, presently comes under the limits of BBMP** and bounded on: East by: Property of H G Karthik Kaladhar; West by: House of M.Sowbhagya; North by: Passage Lane; and South by:Property of HT Jayadeva. **Measuring East to West: 15ft. + 19 ft. & North to South: 43.1 ft. + 33 ft. & Totally measuring: 1273 sq. ft.**

The Reserve Price will be ₹ **2,62,08,000/-**
and the Earnest Money Deposit will be ₹ **26,20,800/-**

Date & Time of E-Auction:
02.06.2026 from 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
Portal of E-Auction: https://www.bankeauctions.com/

Known Encumbrances
RFL is not aware of any encumbrances on the secured asset to be sold. Interested parties should make their own assessment of the secured asset to their satisfaction. Secured Creditor (RFL) does not in any way guarantee or makes any representation with regard to the fitness/title of the aforesaid secured asset.

Other Details of Sale:

1. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided on Secured Creditor's website i.e., **https://uat-religarefinvests.webflow.io/auction-notices**
2. For details about E-Auction, the intending bidders may contact **M/s. C1 India Pvt. Ltd through Mr. Dharani Krishna – Tel. No.: +91 72919 71124,25,26 and Mobile +91-99481 82222; email id – andhra@c1india.com.**
3. The interested parties may contact the following Authorized Officer **Mr.Ansar B S** on his **Mobile: 89290 24427** and **Mr.A.Wilson Mobile: 93110 56699** for further details/ clarifications and for submitting their application/Bid.

Date : 28.04.2026 **Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **M/s.Religare Finvest Limited**

Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited
(A Joint Venture of GoI & GoK)
Metro Rail Depot, Old Madras Road, Near NGEF Bus Stop, Baiyappanahalli, Bengaluru-560 038 Ph:080-25191039
e-Mail: contactus@bmrc.co.in Website: www.bmrc.co.in

Bid No. BMRCL/2026-27/BG/WORK_INDENT130 Date: 24.04.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION

BMRCL invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for **"Inspection of Elastomeric & POT-PTFE bearings from RV road metro station to Delta Electronics Bommasandra metro station."** The works details can be obtained from Procurement website. The tender documents can be obtained and submitted **on or before 22.05.2026 up to 17.00 hrs.** Further details can be obtained from website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact this office during office working hours.

Sd/- Executive Director (O&M)

STATE BANK OF INDIA
Home Loan Centre - I
No. 13/1, Bull Temple Road, Opp. Sri Rama Krishna Ashrama
Basavanagudi, Bengaluru -560 004, Tel: 080 -25943338, 25943336 & 25943337 ,
Fax: 080 - 25943367, Email: mgrracpc.zoban@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Properties)

Home Loan:-42580184719, Suraksha: 42589255253 Date :22.04.2026
Business Loan: 42246896707 No. Roy/18230/KL/800

WHEREAS, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of State Bank of India, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002(No.3 of 2002). issued a **Demand Notice dated 19.02.2026** calling upon the borrower, **Mrs. Laxmi Govindappa Koulagi** W/o. Govindappa to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.1,45,32,544/-** (One Crore Forty Five Lakh Thirty Two Thousand Five hundred Forty Four rupees only) as on 19.02.2026 and future interest at contractual rate from 20.02.2026 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges, etc.within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The Borrower/Mortgagor having failed to repay the amount in full as mentioned in the Demand Notice is hereby given to the Borrower/Mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this as on **22.04.2026.**

The Borrower/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the below mentioned immovable property and any dealings with the said immovable property will be subject to the charge **Rs.1,47,22,041/-** (One Crore Forty Seven Lakh Twenty Two Thousand Forty One rupees only)as on 11-04-2026, and future interest at contractual rate from 23.04.2026 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges, etc. there on.

The Borrower/Mortgagor attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

SCHEDULE A PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing New Municipal No. 4 (Old No 847), BBMP Katha No. 847/A, PID No 53-30-4, situated at 6th Cross, 9th A Main, 1ST stage, 1st Block, Srinagar, Banashankari, Bangalore, now within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No-53(New Ward No 156), measuring East to West: 40 Feet and North to South: 64.5+63/Feet, in all measuring: 2,550 Sq.Ft. and bounded as follows: East by : Site No. 846, West by : Site No. 848, North by : Site No 844, South by : Road

Schedule 'B' Property: 255.59 Sq.ft. undivided share, right, interest and ownership in Schedule 'A' property.

Schedule 'C' Property: Property bearing Flat No **TF-2, 3rd Floor**, containing Three bedrooms having Super Built up Area of 1500 Sq. ft which includes proportionate share in common area and other areas used in common by all the Apartment Owners in "**MSR NEEPA"** along with exclusive rights to use One Top Covered Car Parking space bearing # **TF-2,** in the **"MSR NEEPA"** constructed on **Schedule 'A'** Property and Apartment is bounded by : East by : Common passage, West by : Others Property, North by : Others Property, South by : Flat No TF –1.

Place: Bengaluru
Date :22.04.2026

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
SBI HLC, Basavangudi

BENGALURU SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED
Reg.Office:30/1, 1st and 2nd Floor, BBMP Building, Thimmaiah Road, MillersTank Bund Area, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru-560051.

No:C.E.O/BSWML/PR/ 44/2025-26 Dated: 27.04.2026

Citizen Feedback for SS-2026

Citizen feedback for Swachh Survekshan 2026 is now open to all citizens. Every citizen is encouraged to participate and share their views through the following modes:

1. Direct Link **https://cf.sbmurban.org/**
2. Swachhata App
   - **Google Playstore:** (https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.ichangemycity.swachhbharat)
   - **App Store (iOS):** (https://apps.apple.com/in/app/swachhatamohua/id1124033628)
3. **QR Code:**

Citizens can provide feedback in their preferred language by answering a set of 13 questions. The process is simple and takes just 2 minutes to complete, ensuring that everyone's voice is heard. Your participation directly contributes to the cleanliness and sanitation ranking of your city, making it stronger and more sustainable.

Sd/- Chief Executive Officer
Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited

DIPR/CP/384/SSC/2026-27

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ
ಪಂಚಾಯತ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಯಾದಗಿರ.

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಕಾಪಾಅ/ಪಂರಾಇಂ/ವಿಯ್ಯಾ/ಕೆಕೆಆರ್‌ಡಿಬಿ&ರಾಗ್ರಾಸ್ವಅಯೋ/2026–27/ 173 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 27.04.2026

ಸಂಕ್ಷಿಪ್ತ ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ) KW-1, & 3 (ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾತ್ರ)

1) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವಿವರ: (1) ಸುರಪುರ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ಬಾದ್ಯಾಪುರ ಎಸ್.ಸಿ. ವಾರ್ಡದಿಂದ ಗೋಗಿ ಮುಖ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆ ವರೆಗೆ ರಸ್ತೆ ಮತ್ತು ಸಿ.ಡಿ. ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. (0.00 ದಿಂದ 1.50 ವರೆಗೆ) RDPR/2026-27/RD/WORK_INDENT26228 (ST Bidders Only) (2) ಸುರಪುರ ದೇವಾಪುರ ಮುಖ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆಯಿಂದ ಕಂಪಾಪುರ ಜಾಕ್ ವೆಲ್ ವರೆಗೆ ರಸ್ತೆ ಮತ್ತು ಸಿ.ಡಿ. ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. (0.00 ದಿಂದ 1.25 ಕಿ.ಮೀ ವರೆಗೆ) RDPR/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT25166/CALL-2 Other (3) ಶಹಾಪೂರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಕರ್ಕಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಿ.ಸಿ. ರಸ್ತೆ ಮತ್ತು ಚರಂಡಿ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. & ಶಹಾಪೂರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ರಬ್ಬನಹಳ್ಳಿ ತಾಂಡಾದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಿ.ಸಿ. ರಸ್ತೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಚರಂಡಿ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. RDPR/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT24842 Other (4) ಸುರಪುರ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ಮಾಲಗತ್ತಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದಲ್ಲಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ಕಟ್ಟಡ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. RDPR/2026-27/BD/WORK_INDENT26371 Other 5) ಸುರಪುರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ನಗನೂರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಅಂಗನವಾಡಿ–03 ಕಟ್ಟಡ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. RDPR/2026-27/BD/WORK_INDENT26231 Other **2) ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ:** 2025–26ನೇ ಕೆ.ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ಡಿ.ಬಿ. ಯೋಜನೆ ಮತ್ತು ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಸ್ವರಾಜ್ ಅಭಿಯಾನ ಯೋಜನೆ **3) ಟೆಂಡರಿಗಿಟ್ಟ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ:** ಕನಿಷ್ಠ 17.00 ಮತ್ತು ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ರೂ. 100.00 ಲಕ್ಷ **4) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ದರ್ಜೆ:** 4ನೇ ಮತ್ತು 3ನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟು **5) ಟೆಂಡರ ಫಾರಂ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ:** 29.04.2026 ರಿಂದ 08.05.2026 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4:00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ **6) ಟೆಂಡರ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಬೆಲೆ ಮತ್ತು** ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. **ಮೊತ್ತ:** ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿದಂತೆ (ಅರ್ಜಿ ಶುಲ್ಕ ಹಿಂದಿರುಗಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲಾ) **7) ಟೆಂಡರ ಫಾರಂ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ:** 08.05.2026 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4:00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ 8) **ಟೆಂಡರ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡ್ (ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ–3):** 11.05.2026 ಬೆಳ್ಳಿಗೆ 9:00 ನಂತರ **9) ಟೆಂಡರ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡ್ (ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ– 1):** 11.05.2026 ಬೆಳ್ಳಿಗೆ 9.00 ನಂತರ **10) ಟೆಂಡರ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡ್ (ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ– 3):** 15.05.2026 ಬೆಳ್ಳಿಗೆ 11:00 ನಂತರ **11) ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬೇಕಾದ ವಿಳಾಸ (ಕಛೇರಿ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ):** ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ ಪಂಚಾಯತ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಯಾದಗಿರ. **12) ಅಂತರಜಾಲ ತಾಣದ ವಿಳಾಸ:** https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

ಸೂಚನೆ :– ಟೆಂಡರರಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂದಿಸಿದ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಛೇರಿ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಥವಾ https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು (ರಜಾದಿನಗಳು ಹೊರತುಪಡಿಸಿ).

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ,
ಯಾದಗಿರ.

ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಸಂ.ಇ/ಯಾದಗಿರಿ/38/ಕೆ.ಎಸ್.ಎಂ.ಸಿ&ಎ/2026–27

ಶ್ರೀ ಗುರು ರಾಘವೇಂದ್ರ ಸಹಕಾರ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ ನಿಯಮಿತ
SRI GURU RAGHAVENDRA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA

15, Subbarama Chetty Road, Nettakallappa Circle, Basavenagudi, Bangalore-560004. Ph.No. 26620360, 26620379, Fax : 080-26506895, E-mail : sgrsbn.bank@gmail.com, Website : www.raghavendrabank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **Sri Guru Raghavendra Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, Basavangudi, Bangalore,** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued on the following Demand Notices on various dates to the Borrowers / Guarantors mentioned below, calling upon them to repay the amount mentioned within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices.

The borrowers/ Guarantors / Mortgagors / Legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to all the below mentioned borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13(4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on the day mentioned in the following table..

The Borrowers / / Guarantors / Mortgagors / Legal heirs in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Sri Raghavendra Sahakara Bank Niyamitha** for the amounts mentioned under each borrower and interest thereon.

The borrowers' attention is invited to the provision of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured Assets.

(1) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Borrower Name :M/s ASM Furnishing Prop: Mr. Vijayakumar S Guarantors Smt, Suguna B.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 31.12.2025 for liability Rs. 6,86,69,267/- and Possession Notice Dated 24.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 31.12.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 24.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Property of Suguna B) All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site Nos. 10, 11&12 formed in converted Sy. No. 225 (Converted as per order in O M No. ALN(S)(U) SR. 150/2007-08 dated 19.07.2008) of Kaggalipura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, measuring East to West 90 feet North to South 40 feet totally 3600 sq.feet and bounded on: East by : Site No. 9 ; Wes by: Site No. 13 ; North by : 25ft Road ; South by: Private Property.

(2) Name nd Address of the Borrower/CoBorrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Mr. Paramesh H M Guarantors Mrs. Geetha P and Krishna Murthy S A.

Total amount mentioned in the notice :SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 31.12.2025 for liability Rs. 2,03,05,441.00 and Possession Notice Dated 27.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 31.12.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 27.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Property of Geetha P) All that piece and parcel of property bearing House List No. 1/A V P Katha No. 125 Chikkakallasandra Village, Uttarahalli Group Panchayat, Uttarahalli Hobli Bangalore South Taluk after inclusion into BBMP Padmanabhanagar Ward Old No. 55 Present No. 182 property bearing No. 125/29/1A present No. 29 4th A Cross, Brindavana Nagar Revenue Layout Bengaluru PID No. 55-63-29/01 measuring East to West 20ft North to South 25ft and bounded on: East by : Road,; West by : Property bearing No.1 ; North by : Property of Srikantha Sharma, South by : Property of S A Krishnamurthy

ITEM 2 ANNEXURE-SCHEDULE - II (Property of Krishnamurthy S A) All that piece and parcel of property bearing House List No. 1/A V P Katha No. 125 Chikkakallasandra Village, Uttarahalli Group Panchyat, Uttarahalli Hobli Bangalore South Taluk after inclusion into BBMP Padmanabhanagar Ward Old No. 55 Present No. 182 property bearing No.125/29/1A present No. 29 4th A Cross, Brindavana Nagar Revenue Layout Bengaluru PID No. 55-63-29 measuring East to West 20ft North to South 25ft and bounded on: East by : Road ; West by : Property bearing No. 1;North by : Property of Geetha P; South by : Road.

(3) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co Borrower/Mortgagor/ Guarantor: Applicants: Mrs. Geetha Naveen Guarantors Mr. Naveen D P, husband (demised)

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 08.01.2026 for liability Rs. 7,27,84,928.00 and Possession Notice Dated 24.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 08.01.2026 **Possession Notice Date: 24.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: SCHEDULE A (Full Property) Mrs. Geetha Naveen All that piece and parcel of the Resedential Proprty bearing No 26/1 and 27/1 present BBMP clubbed Khatha No 26/1, situated at Sannidhi Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore – 560 004, BBMP Ward No 51, Basavanagudi, Bangalore PID No 51-7-26/1 totally measuring 4393.5 square feet and bounded on East by: Remaining portion of 26/1, common passage and property of Gundu Rao West by: Sannidhi Road North by: Property of T N Haumantha Rao therafter Common Passage, South by: Private Property.

Property Mortgaged to our Bank : 452, Sqft, of undivided share, right, title and interest in the land comprising in the above Schedule A Property mentioned above together with Apartment bearing No 101 in the First Floor measuring 2175 sq ft of super built up Area with Vitrified Tiles Flooring, with once covered Car Parking Slot No 101 measuring 14'.5" x 15' be the part of multistoried residential apartment, known as "Hanshi's Sannidhi Park" constructed at Schedule A Property East by : Flat No 102, West by : Sannidhi Road, North by : Property of T N Hanumantha Rao, thereafter common passage, South by ; Private Property

(4) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor:Borrower Name :M/s. Vaishnavi Trading Corporation, Represented by. Mr. Vijaya Simha N and Guarantors Nagaraja N Shetty.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 08.12.2025 for liability Rs1,44,81,789.00 and Possession Notice Dated 24.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.04.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 08.12.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 24.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property:(Property in the name of Smt Shakunthalamma)

All that piece and parcel of half undivided share in the land and ground floor of residential house bearing 910 (old) present No. 29 situated at 16th Main, 3rd Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560010 having PID NO 22-111-292 measuring East to West 45 feet North to South 30 feet and bounded on: East by : Road; West by : Property No. 925 ; North by : Property No. 911; South by : Property No. 909.

(5) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor:Borrower Name :Mr. Varun Subbarao and Guarantors Mr. Sudharshan Rao

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated XXXXXX for liability Rs. 34,98,928.00 and Present Liability Rs. 34,35,667.00 as on 31.12.2025 Possession Notice Dated 24.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.01.2026together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 27.11.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 24.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Description of entire property) All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No. 29 & 30 BBMP Khatha No. 4339/4300/68/2/2/4260 (converted vide B.DIS.ALN/SR (S)71/1992-93 dated 06.07.1992) Halagevaderahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, presently under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 160 Bengaluru measuring East to West 70 feet North to South 40 feet with constructions thereon and bounded on: East by : Road West by : Site No. 31, North by : Site No. 27 & 28, South by : Road.

(Property mortgaged) Flat NO 501 All that piece and parcel of 233.5 Sq. Ft. of undivided share, right, title and interest in the land with Super built up area of 1109 sq.ft in the Fourth Floor, BBMP Khatha No. 98/4300/68/2/2/4260/ 4th floor, Flat No. 501 the apartment known as RAYARA NERALU, 2 Bed Room with one covered car parking area in the basement floor.

(6) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor:Borrower Name : Mr. Gunashekara G and Guarantors Smt. Prabhavathi

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 27.11.2025 for liability Rs. 7,44,819.00 and Possession Notice Dated 27.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 27.11.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 27.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Property of Mr. Gunashekara G)

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No. 65/1-5, PID No. 77-12-65/1-5 GIS based New PID No. 110-W0309-5 BBMP Sampangiramanagar Ward Old No. 77 Present No. 110 situated at 7th Cross, S R Nagar, Sri. B T Muniyappa Road, Sampangiramanagar, Bengaluru 560027 measuring East to West 12'08" North to South 22'00" with constructions thereon and bounded on: East by : 2'06" passage and thereafter property of Smt. Savitramma; West by : Property of Venkataramanappa ; North by: Private Property ; South by : 2'06" passage and property of Mr.G Vijayakumar bearing same number.

(7) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Borrower Name :Mr. Ramalingam I and Guarantors Mr. Shivalingam I.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 21-11-2025 for liability Rs. 1,37,67,248.00 and Possession Notice Dated 24.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01-07-2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 21-11-2025 **Possession Notice Date: 24.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: FLAT NO 102. All that piece and parcel of of 250 sq.ft undivided share in the land bearing No. B-95, Nagadevanahalli, Kengeri TMC Katha No. 1965 New Katha No. 538 Bengaluru presently under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ullalu Ward No. 130 property bearing No. B-95 Katha No. 95/3967/1965/B-95, Nagadevanahalli, BBMP Kengeri Sub-division and the property in Flat No. 102 Ground Floor of the Apartment known as ROOPA SERENITY, situated at with super builtup area 935 sq.ft and bounded on: East by: Flat No.101, West by : Open Land ; North by : Lift ; South by :Stair Case.

(8) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Mr Chethan Kumar M K, Mr Krishnamurthy M, Mrs Vanitha S and Mrs Tejavathi M K Guarantors Mr Krishnamurthy M, Mr Chethan Kumar M K , Mrs Vanitha S and Mrs Tejavathi M K

Total amount mentioned in the notice: SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 10.09.2025 for liability Rs. 13,19,24,762.00 and Possession Notice Dated 24.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : **10.09.2025** **Possession Notice Date: 24.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Property of Krishnamurthy M) ITEM NO 1: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No 59 , then No 70, thereafter No 6, present No 6/1, PID NO 29-26-6/1, situated at Dr. T C M Royan Road, cottonpete, BBMP Cottonpet Ward Old No 29, present No 120, measuring East to West (60'01 1/2 + 61'06")/2 North to South (23'06" + 26'06")/2 with constructions thereon bounded on ; East by : Property of Veerabhadraswamy Temple. ; West by Dr. TCM Royan Road,: North by : Property No 6/1 of Mr. Satish ; South by : Property No 7 (Item No 1),

ITEM NO 2: Al that piece and parcel of the property bearing No. 49, then No. 69, Present No. 7, PID No. 29-26-7, situated at Dr. T.C.M. Royan Road, Cotton Pete, BBMP Cottonpet Ward old No. 29, Present No. 120, measuring East to West 58 feet, North to South (15+17)/2 with constructions thereon bounded on:East by: Property of Veerabhadraswamy Temple, West by: Dr. T.C.M. Royan Road, North by: Property No. 6/1, South by: Remaining portion of the same Property.

Additional Information: Since the owners of the two properties are same, they constructed one Commercial Building by taking the lands of both the properties without amalgamating the properties. The building consists of one Commercial building of Basement Floor, Ground floor, Mezzanine Floor, First Floor & Terrace Floor only. The total Land / site Area of the two buildings in total is 2251 Sq.ft.

(9) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Mr. Sathyanarayana N Guarantors Mrs. Mahalakshmi M N

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 27.11.2025 for liability Rs. 6,03,30,506.00 and Possession Notice Dated 27.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.04.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : **27.11.2025** **Possession Notice Date: 27.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of Western Portion of the immovable property bearing Site No. 46 Katha No. 4976/3661/169/1/169/4/46 formed out of Sy. No. 169/1 of Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk which is duly converted from Agricultural purposes to Non-agricultural Residential purposes vide conversion Orders No. ALN.(S)S.R.(K)/177/10-11 dated 20.06.2011 and ALN(S)S.R.(K)/178/10-11 dated 20.06.2011 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner of BBMP, Kengeri having BBMP Kathas and measuring East to West: Northern Side 43'0" feet Southern side 45'0" feet and North to South : Eastern side 137'0" feet Western Side 166'0" feet in all measuring 6666 sq. ft. and bounded on the: East by : Remaining portion of site No. 46; West by :Private Property, North by :Road and OHT; South by :Private Property.

(10) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor:Mr. Narayana Seenan JJ and Guarantor Mrs. Rukmini G)

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Demand Notice dated 30-06-2025 for a liability Rs 2,46,43,371/- (Rupees two crore forty six lakhs forty three thousand three hundred seventy one only) and Possession Dated 22.04.2026 for a Liability of Rs 2,66,64,997/- (Rupees Two crore sixty six lakhs sixty four thousand nine hundred and ninety seven only) as on 31-10-2025 plus further applicable interest from 01.11.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : **30-06-2025** **Possession Notice Date: 22.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Narayana Seenan J J) : All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing No. 10 out of the Old Property No 56/5A. property No. 622/1 having Bommanahalli CMC Katha No. 314 situated at Garvebhavipalya, Honganasandre Dakhale , Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the jurisdiction of BBMP Bommanahalli Sub-Range Khatha No 324/316/314/2/622/1/1 measuring East to West 17 ft North to South 57 ft in all totally measuring 969 Sq, ft together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever underneath or above the surface bounded on East by : Property of Shamanna Reddy, West by : Site bearing No. 9, North by : Road, South by : Property of Gopal Reddy.

Date : 27.04.2026 Place : Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Sri Guru Raghavendra Sahakara Bank Niyamitha**

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU

P & Sc. No. 178 /2026 (CCH-40)

BETWEEN:

1. **Sri. Aswatha Narayana Reddy,** S/o late Venkata Swamy Reddy, Aged about 64 years, R/at Valepura, Varthur Post, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560087.
2. **Sri. Karthik A,** S/o Ashwath Narayana Reddy, Aged about 35 years, R/at Valepura, Varthur Post, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560087 ...Petitioners

And: **- Nil-** ...Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioner above named filed the above petition for Probate to be granted in favour of the petitioner with respect to schedule, and grant such other relief/s, The Petitioner No.1 is being elder brother of late Mrs. Premamma Who was died on 13/08/2025 and the Petitioner No.2 is her brother's son.

Take notice that if any interested person in respect of above said Property is hereby called upon to appear before this Hon'ble court either personally or through an Advocate duly instructed on this the day of **06/06/2026 at 11.00 AM** otherwise the matter will be heard and decided ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court, this 23rd day of April 2026.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Item. No.1: Bangalore East Taluk, Varthur Hobli, Amani Bellandur Khana Village, old survey no. 142, current reserve no. 142/1, 0-25 gunte land, which came to me as an inheritance, was acquired by K.I.D.B. for the purpose of ITBT and the entire amount of compensation received from this.

Item No.2: The plot measuring 4815 square feet, with the present BBMP Khata No. 90/67/2, Khata Serial No.90, East West: 90-0 feet, North South: 40+67/2 feet, total area 4815 square feet, and the R.C.C. Roofed Ground Floor, First Floor and Third Floor Triplex House and all kinds of civic amenities attached to this house, are hereby declared as follows:

East: Road, West: Munireddy's house, North: Road and Late: Ramaswamy's property, South: Late: Nanjunda Reddy and children's home,

In between, East West: 90-0 feet, North South: 40+67/2 feet, total 4815 square feet. The plot thus measured and surveyed and the house built on.

Item No.3: In Kadubeesanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, present within the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Survey No. 32/1 dated: 02-07-2003, Serial No. BDIS.ALN (E)VB.SR.124/2003-04, out of the entire property developed as land conversion, an 8th floor complete commercial building with a super buildup area measuring 18,000 (eighteen thousand) square feet and the entire rental income therefrom is item three,

Item No.4: Measuring 0-22 gunte of land in Kadubeesanahalli Village survey no. 35 of Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, which is currently under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore City, District Collector's memorandum number: BDIS/ALN/SR (SA)96/2000-01, dated 17-08-2000, for the purpose of housing project, and I have acquired 0-13 gunte of land in this area for the purpose of Marathahalli Ring Road, and the remaining 0-17.00 gunte of land in the remaining area is given for the purpose of the pre-state project, which is recorded in BBMP Katha 310/35:-and the total area is 4581 square feet,

East:- Road, West: Private Property, North: Private Property, South: Muniraju's Property

The total area of the land between the Abhaya Anjaneya Swamy Temple, which I am currently building at my own expense, is 4581 square feet, and there are no houses in this area.

Item No.5: As per the above, compensation money for the 0-13.00 gunta land acquired is to be received from the government, and the money received as compensation should also be included in this will or death certificate,

Item No.6: The total amount payable posthumously from the Max Life Insurance Policy as per Policy Number: 846029585 is Rs.3,89,350-00 (Three Lakh Eighty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty) Rupees.

Item No.7: Testator son Shri. B.K. Chandrashekhar alias B.K. Chandra Reddy has a KA-51 car and a KA-41 P1999 Vulva 20 car in his name, these three vehicles are my deceased Saints 100 1999, 62-03 29111 2536 item that belongs to you.

Item No.8: Similarly, Testator have a Retail Bar License with CL-9 at Marathahalli address in my name, and I agree that this too shall pass to you as item eight after my death. As per the above, all the eight items of movable and immovable assets shall pass to this Will or Death Certificate,

Advocate for Petitioner:
Prashanth.S

By Order of the Court
***Sd/-* Senior Sheristedar**
City Civil Court, Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client **Sri. K. UDAYA ACHARYA,** S/o. Sri. Krishna Acharya and **Smt. K.U. AKSHATHA** W/o. Sri. K. Udaya Acharya, intend to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from its lawful Owner **Sri. SHREEDHAR .K. JOIS** S/o. Sri. K.J. Bheemasenachar, any person or persons, Banks, Financial institutions etc., having any valid right, title, interest or any claim over the Schedule Property or any portion of it in any manner may with documentary evidence lodge their objection/claim **within 10 days** from the date of this notice with the undersigned, if no valid objections are received within the stipulated date, my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Western Portion of the Residential Property bearing Site No. 28, Formed in residential Converted Sy.No. 64, the Layout known as UPKAR RESIDENCY, situated at Ullalu (Hullalu) village, Yeshwanhapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, Layout Plan approved by Bangalore Development Authority as per its Resolution No.222/2001, dated : 08/11/2001, order/letter No. BDA/TPM/2968/2001-02, dated: 08/03/2002, Presently comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike ward No. 130, Property No.28/1, Property New E.P.I.D No. 2036059324, Upkar Residency, Hullalu Village, Bangalore and bounded on the : EAST BY: Remaining Eastern Portion of Same Site No.28, belongs to Vendors, WEST BY: Property 29, NORTH By: Property No. 27, SOUTH BY : Road, And measuring East to West : 40.00 Feet or 12.2 Meter and North to South : 50.00 Feet or 15.2 Meter, in all measuring 2000.00 Square Feet or 185. Square Meters.

Sd/- **R. SURESH,** Advocate
No.4, 8th Main, CHBS Layout, Water Tank Road, Vijayanagar, Bangalore-560040.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the General Public that my client Sri. N. Dwarakish S/o G. Narayanaswamy Naidu, residing at Flat No.302, Akshaya Residency, No.46 and 47/1, Nanjappa Layout, Yelachenahalli, Near Ayyappa Swamy Temple, Bengaluru South, J. P. Nagar, Bengaluru-560078, intends to purchase Schedule Property described herein under, from its present Owner Sri. Nagaraju N S/o Late Narasaiah, residing at No.201, Flat No.3, Skandashree Apartment, Opp. RR Nagar Arch, SLV Layout, Mysore Road, Bengaluru-560039, any person/s objecting for the said purchase or having any right, title, interest or any type of claim over the Schedule Property is hereby called upon to file their objections/claims whatsoever along with documentary proof within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice with under mentioned advocate, failing which our client shall proceed and complete the sale transaction with the above stated person.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Site No.17, formed in converted land of Sy. No.3/1A1, with BDA Khatha PID No.6000013981 duly converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Urban District, Bangalore, as per conversion order Nos.ALN.SR(S)216/2000-01 and ALN.SR (S)217/2000-01, dated 27/02/2001, situated at Uttarahalli Manavarthe Kaval Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 40 feet, totally measuring 1600 Square Feet and bounded on: East by: BDA Layout, West by: Road, North by: Property No.16 and South by: Road.

KANNA .C, Advocate
No. B-3, Ambika Kunj Building, Near J.P. Nagar Sub-Registrar Office, Konanakunte, Bangalore-560062.
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LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

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BACK OFFICE, 1ST FLOOR, LIC JEEVAN MANGAL , HAYES ROAD, RESIDENCY RD, BENGALURU, KARNATAKA 560025

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of LIC Housing Finance Ltd (LIC HFL), under Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had issued Demand Notice to following Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors calling upon them to repay the outstanding due amount mentioned in the said notices. However, The Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors having failed to repay the said due amount, the undersigned has taken **SYMBOLIC POSSESSION** in exercise of powers conferred U/s 13(4) and U/s 14 of the said Act read with the Rule 8.

This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property have been mortgaged to the LIC HFL, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of LIC HFL will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" & without any recourse basis on Date of auction, as per the brief particulars given here under.

Name of Borrower/s- Late MADURAI AMARNATH (Deceased) Represented by Legal Heirs Mrs. MONICA AMARNATH (W/O Mr. MADURAI AMARNATH) Mr. SHAHAANK AMARNATH (S/O. Mr. MADURAI AMARNATH) AND Mr. MANAANK AMARNATH (S/O. Mr. MADURAI AMARNATH)
Loan Account No. 410100008678 and 410100011166

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the land together with the existing residential house thereon bearing the Centre portion of Site No.10, now bearing H.L.Khata No.142-1B, situated in Horamavu Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring on the North 35 feet, on the south 35 feet, on the East 86 feet, on the West 83 feet being bounded on the : North by: Private Property, South by: 25 feet wide Road, East by: Property belonging to Smt.Kamakshiamma, West by: B.Y.Narayana Reddy's property. With the existing one square residential house with brick and mud walls, with no civic amenities.

Date of Demand Notice	28-10-2025
Amount Demanded	Rs. 1,59,73,971.00 with further Interest, Cost and Expenses.
Date of Possession	Symbolic Possession on 06-01-2025
Account Details	Beneficiary Name: LIC Housing Finance Ltd Beneficiary Branch Name: HDFC BANK LTD Account Number: LHFLBA410100008678 IFSC Code: HDFC0000009.
Reserve Price	Rs.2,60,00,000.00 (Rupees Two crore Sixty Lakhs Only)
EMD	Rs.26,00,000 /- (Rupees Twenty-six Lakh Only)
Total Amount payable as on date	Rs.1,68,74,508.60 (Rupees One crore sixty-eight lakh seventy-four thousand five hundred eight rupees and sixty paisa Only)
Website of E-Auction	https://online.lichousing.com/eauction/ & https://www.auctionbazaar.com/
Date & time of Inspection of Photocopies of property documents	01-06-2026 & 10:30 AM to 3:00 PM
Address where property documents can be inspected	BACK OFFICE, 1ST FLOOR, LIC JEEVAN MANGAL, HAYES ROAD, BENGALURU, KARNATAKA 560025
Inspection of the Property Date for inspection and time	02-06-2026 & 10:30AM to 1:00PM
Contact person	Mr. A.S.R PHANINDRA, Associate Chief Manager, Mob No: 8008177199
Last date of submission of Online Tender / Bid	03-06-2026 till 3.00 PM
E Auction Date & Time	04-06-2026 & 11 AM to 3.00 PM

*** Initial Bidding increment is Rs 25,000. However, Authorised Officer will state bidding increment amount percentage for each property if, decided otherwise.**
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Place: Bangalore
Date : 28.04.2026

Sd/-
Authorized Officer
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Asset Recovery Management Branch,
1st Floor, FKCCI Building, Kempegowda Road, Bengaluru-560009.
Phone: 080-22955928(Gen)/22955929(AGM)
E-Mail: blr.arm@ktkbank.com
Website: https://karnatakabank.bank.in
CIN: L85110KA1924PLC001128

E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 21.05.2026

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is"and "As is what is" basis on 21.05.2026** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **20.05.2026 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) Mr. Krishnama Naidu K** S/o Mr. Muniswamy Naidu K, **(2) Mrs. Kanchana K** W/o Mr. Krishnama Naidu, **Both are addressed at:** No.188/C, 4th Cross, 3rd Phase, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560085 **Loan A/c No.: PSOD A/c No.1077000600048801**	**Rs.23,92,464.42 [Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Four and Paisa Forty Two Only]** **01.04.2026**	**28.11.2024** **Constructive**	All that part and parcel of the **residential property** bearing **Site No.1-B, measuring 1200 sq ft** (East to West : 40 feet and North to South : 30 feet), **New Municipal No.188/C, PID No.55-439-188-C** situated at 4th Cross, 5th Block, 3rd Phase, Banashankari III Stage, within BBMP limits, Bengaluru with building constructed thereon belonging to **Mr.Krishnama Naidu K. Boundaries of property: East by:** Site No.05, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Site No.1-A, **South by:** Site No.2. **Property Location: Latitude & Longitude: 12.922996 N, 77.550295 E**	**Rs. 2,12,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Twelve Lakhs Only)**	**Rs. 21,20,000/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Twenty Thousand Only)**	**10.15 PM to 10.30 PM**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Banashankari II Stage A/c No: 1073500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000107**

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

(This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule (8)Sub Rule (1) of Rule (9) of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors).

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.bank.in under the head "Regulatory and others".

The E-auction will be conducted through portal www.auctionbazaar.com on **21.05.2026** at above mentioned time with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **www.auctionbazaar.com** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **20.05.2026**) from **M/s ARCA EMART PVT LTD** (Known by their **website: www.auctionbazaar.com**) Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1, Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Telangana, India-500016, E-mail : **contact@auctionbazaar.com and disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 27.04.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer, Karnataka Bank Ltd.

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited
(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)

KPTCL invites bids for the following works including supply of equipments/materials, Dismantling and erection(including civil works), under Partial turnkey basis on 'Percentage Tender Basis' (Excluding the supply of Major materials such as Power Transformer & NIFS, which will be supplied by KPTCL. Testing & commissioning, done by KPTCL RT Staff) in KPP Portal:

I. No.: CEE/TKR/T(Op)Z/SEE(O)/AEE–2/2026-27/781-83 **Date: 23.04.2026**

Bid Enquiry No: **KPTCL/CEE/TKR/SEE(O)/AEE-2/2025-26/Bid Enq-0097-CALL-2.** Replacement of 2x12.5, 66/11kV Power Transformers-1 & 2 by 2x20MVA 66/11kV Power Transformers at 66/11KV sub-station Kadajji, Davanagere Taluk, Davanagere Operation Division, KPTCL, Davanagere District.

II. No.: CEE/TKR/T(Op)Z/SEE (O)/AEE–2/2026-27/793-95 **Date: 24.04.2026**

Bid Enquiry No: **KPTCL/CEE/TKR/SEE(O)/AEE-2/2025-26/Bid Enq-0100-CALL-2.** Replacement of 2x12.5, 66/11kV Power Transformers by 2x20MVA 66/11kV Power Transformers at 66/11KV sub-station Garaga, Hosadurga Taluk, Chitradurga Operation Division, KPTCL, Chitradurga District.

The detailed information regarding subject enquiries in KPP portal can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink **"E Procurement KPTCL"** Portal or **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** after **30.04.2026** and other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Chief Engineer(Electy.,),
KPTCL, Transmission(Operations) Zone,"Prasarana Bhavan", 1st Floor, 66/11KV Tumakuru S/s Premises,Tumakuru - 572103.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Publication of Tender Notice No. 01-SNT-MYS-2026-01, 02 & 03 Dated: 02-04-2026

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following works:

SL	Name of the work	Approx. Value
01	Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract for Integrated Power Supply Systems of M/s HBL make over Mysuru Division for 3 years (38 Systems)	Rs. 1,94,94,912.00
02	Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract for Integrated Power Supply Systems of M/s. Amara Raja make over Mysuru Division for 3 years (45 Systems)	Rs. 2,03,71,024.80
03	Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract for Integrated Power Supply Systems of M/s. Statcon make over Mysuru Division for 3 years (15 Systems)	Rs. 77,43,947.40

Last date for submission of bids for above Tender is:**Upto 11:30 Hrs. on 13-05-2026**

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer **Mysuru**

PUB/64/AAF/PRB/SWR/2026-27

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S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

For and on behalf of the President of India, the Chief Engineer (CON)/S, South Eastern Railway, Garden Reach, Kolkata-700043 invites E-tender for the following work. Following tender has been uploaded on website **www.ireps.gov.in**. The tender will be closed **at 12.00 hrs**. on due date. **e-Tender Notice No.: 4615-GRC-CE-C-SO-04-2026, Date: 24.04.2026. Brief Description of work:** Composite work for Development of infrastructure facilities for maintenance of HHP Electric Locomotives in ELKP Loco Shed, Kharagpur, South Eastern Railway and other allied miscellaneous works under jurisdiction of Dy. CE/Con/II/Kharagpur, South Eastern Railway. **Approx. Cost:** ₹ 72.42 Crore. **Bid Security:** ₹ 1,44,83,900. **Completion Period:** 24 months. **Closing Date:** 26.05.2026. Interested tenderers may visit website **www.ireps.gov.in** for full details/description/specification of the tenders and submit their bids online. In no case manual tender for this item will be accepted. **N.B.:** Prospective bidders may regularly visit **www.ireps.gov.in** to participate in all other tenders. **(PR-89)**

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MALALA YOUSAFZAI

HASSAN CO-OPERATIVE MILK PRODUCERS SOCIETIES UNION LIMITED

P.B. NO. 120, INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, B.M.ROAD, HASSAN –573201
PH NO : 08172-295436 FAX: 08172-240640 E-mail Address:purchase.hamul@gmail.com

IFT NO.HCMU/PUR/ EPROC/ 413 /2026-27 DATE:21/04/2026

INVITATION FOR E TENDER(IFT) TECHNICAL CUM COMMERCIAL TENDER

HAMUL invites E-Procurement tender for 1) Providing Mediclaim Insurance Services for HAMUL Staff for the period from **01.07.2026 to 30.06.2027** 2) Quantity & EMD amount: as per bid notification available in KPP Portal. 3) Last date for submission of tender:**07.05.2026 up to 5.00 PM.** 4) Technical bid opening:**08.05.2026 at 05.00 PM.** 5) Address for communication: **Deputy Manager (Purchase)** at the above address. 6) Tender document may be downloaded from website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/.**Tender No: **KMF/2026-27/SE5205**

Sd/- MANAGING DIRECTOR

KKRTC CIVIL DIVISION, KALABURAGI

MSK Mill Road, Jewargi Cross Kalaburagi.

No: KKT/EEG/KLB/DB/ 59/2026-27 Date: 24/04/2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION NO. 02/2026-27

Through GOK e-procurement platform WWW.kppp.karnataka.gov.in

Eligible Class-I Civil Contractors/Firms registered in Karnataka at KPWD/CPWD /MES are hereby invited for the below works in Two cover system through E-procurement portal mode.

1) Name of work: **Construction of KKRTC Central Office Administration Buidling at Kalaburagi,** 2) Amount put to Tender (Rs in lakhs): **2000.00,** 3) Last date for receipt of tenders : **05-06-2026**

The tender schedule will be available after 02-05-2026 on the website mentioned as below. www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in Telephone No. 08472-220663

Sd/-

DIPR/Kalaburagi/80/KSMC&A/2026-27 **Executive Engineer**

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Limited Plot No-23, Shal Tower, 3rd Floor, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi-110005

The following borrower(s) has/have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest towards the Loan facility(ies) availed from ICICI Bank. The Loan(s) has/have been classified as Non-Performing Asset(s) (NPA). A Notice was issued to them under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, at their last known addresses. However, it has not been served and are therefore being notified by way of this Public Notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Description of Secured Asset to be enforced	Date of Notice sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Mohd Sagir Ahmed/ Hasrat Ahmed/ LBDEL00005497823/ H-441 Top Floor, Jaitpur Extension, Part-2, Badarpur, Delhi- 110044	COMMERCIAL UNIT BEARING NO. ASF 137, 2ND FLOOR, GAUR WORLD SMART STREET, BUILT ON PLOT NO C 01A, SECTOR-16B, GREATER NOIDA, GAUTAM BUDH NAGAR, UTTAR PRADESH- 201307	02-04-2026 Rs. 18,80,489.85/-	04-01-2026

These steps are being taken for substituted service of Notice. The above borrower/s and/or guarantor/s (as applicable) is/are advised to make the outstanding payment within 60 days from the date of publishing this Notice. Else, further steps will be taken as per the provisions of the Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date: April 28, 2026
Place: Bangalore

Sincerely Authorised Officer, For ICICI Bank Ltd.

The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited

H.O, No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru - 560 018.

Phone 26677552, 26679041

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PUBLIC AUCTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

The Borrower **Sri D.A.Raju, S/o Sri D.A.Anthony Dass, No.10/1, 15th A Main Road, 66th Cross, 5th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010. Surety: Sri Aravind Raju, S/o Sri D.A.Raju.** The debt due to Bank as on **24.04.2026** of **Rs.88,24,842/-** + Interest & miscellaneous expenses. Auction sale under the securitization and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforce of Security Interest Act 2002 Section 13(4) of the Immovable properties mortgaged to The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd., is brought to Sale under **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION"on 01.06.2026, Monday at 11.00 am.** Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/(s) and Guarantor/(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, **Actual possession** of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable residential property bearing Old No.801 and present No.801/1/2, 76th "A" Cross, 6th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore.560010. The Schedule property is within the limits of BBMP Bangalore with BBMP allotted PID No.21-17-1/2, Measuring East to West: 27 feet & North to South: 40 feet in all totally measuring 1080 Sq.ft. the Schedule property consisting of Ground, First, Second and Third Floors**, (THE TITLE HOLDER HAVING ABSOLUTE RIGHT OVER THE SCHEDULE PROPERTY EXCEPT SECOND FLOOR OF ENTIRE PORTION)** and bounded on the East by: Site No.800, West by: Site No.802, North by: Government Property & South By: Road.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

(1) The public auction will be conducted in the premises of The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Head Office No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018.

(2) For participation in the auction the intending bidders have to deposit an amount Rs.9,35,500/- equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price Rs.93,52,194/- being cautioned deposit by means of Demand Draft/Pay Order drawn in favour of M/s.The Grain Merchant's Co.Operative Bank Ltd., The cautioned deposit shall be forfeited by the bank without any prior notice, if the successful bidder fails to adhere to the terms of sale, time and commits default in any manner.

(3) The Property "SHALL NOT" be sold below the reserve price

(4) In case the bidder is not successful the EMD amount shall be refund without interest.

(5) The successful bidder should deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD) immediately after the auction sale, on the same day, in Cash or Demand Draft and the balance of the Sale price within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. In case of default by the successful bidder, all the amounts deposited till then shall be forfeited without notice and the property shall be put for re-auction.

(6) The successful bidder shall bear the statutory dues/taxes/charges/property tax/electricity charges/water charges/conveyance charges such as stamp duty, registration fee etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the property conveyed in his favour, as per the applicable laws.

(7) The authorized officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all if the tender or/bid/ offer and/or adjourn/postpone/ cancel the auction sale without assigning any reason, and also to modify an or all terms and conditions of the sale without prior notice.

(8) The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank.

(9) The property can be inspected by the intending bidder between 10.00 A.M. to 5.00 P.M. at his/her expenses at the address mentioned in the schedule.

(10) The property is put for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" AND "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION"** the intending bidder shall satisfy himself about the title,ownership,statutory approvals, encumbrances etc. of the property.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 24.04.2026

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
The Grain Merchants' Co Operative Bank Ltd.,

Indian Bank, Zuzuwadi Branch,

Chowda Reddy Building, Gandhi Road, Zuzuwadi, Hosur-635109
Landline-04344-276694, Ph-+91-9442247110

PUBLICATION DEMAND NOTICE

Notice under Sec. 13 (2) of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002

1. Borrower ;- **Mrs.Ganganarasamma, W/o. Annayappa,** Property No.11, Khata No.65, Assessment No.65, 3rd Main Road, Mayura Nagar, Off Andrahalli Main Road, Hegganahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560058.
2. Co-Borrower : **Mr.A.Sathish, S/o .Annayappa,** Property No.11, Khata No.65, Assessment No.65, 3rd Main Road, Mayura Nagar, Off Andrahalli Main Road, Hegganahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560058
3. Guarantor : **Mr.Annayappa, S/o. Rangegowda** Property No.11, Khata No.65, Assessment No.65, 3rd Main Road, Mayura Nagar, Off Andrahalli Main Road, Hegganahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560058

Sub: **Your Home Loan Account No: 6417041179 with Indian Bank, Zuzuvadi Branch**

You committed default in repayment of loans to the tune of Home loan **Account No: 6417041179 – Rs . 27,41,276/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Forty One Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Six Rupees only) /-** with further interest at the agreed rate from 16.04.2026 to till date of repayment.

The Bank issued notice under the Act on 15.04.2026 calling upon you to repay the outstanding amount of **Rs. 27,41,276/-** The notice was sent to you by Registered Post has been returned unserved.

You are called upon to pay **Rs.27,41,276/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Forty One Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Six Rupees only)** together with interest from 16.04.2026 to till date of payment within 60 days from the date of this notice failing which Bank will be constrained to exercise its rights of enforcement of security interest as against the secured assets given in the schedule hereunder. This Notice is without prejudice to any other right remedy available to the Bank.

This Notice is without prejudice to any other remedy available to the Bank - including its right to proceed with DRT/RO of DRT/DRAT/Court.

SCHEDULE

The specific details of the assets in which security interest is created are enumerated hereunder:

Mortgaged assets	All that the piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.11, Khata No.65, Assessment No.65, Hegganahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, presently coming under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Bangalore measuring East to West: 25 North to South:55 in total:1375 Square feet and bounded as follows: East by : Property No.06 West by : Road North by : Private Property South by : Property No.10

Date : 27.04.2026 **Authorised officer,**
Place : Zuzuwadi **Indian Bank**

BENGALURU SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED

Office of the Deputy General Manager-2, 1st Floor, BBMP Building, Thimmaiah Road, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru-560051. Email:bswmlee4@gmail.com

No. DGM-2/BSWML/TEND/02/2026-27 Date: 27.04.2026

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFT) SHORT TERM BID NOTIFICATION (Only through GOK KPP Portal Only)

1. The **Deputy General Manager-2, Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited on behalf of the Managing Director, BSWML, Bengaluru** invites bids from eligible bidders for the works detailed in the table below. The Bidders may submit bids for works given in the table through KPP portal of the Government of Karnataka (viz. https://KPPP.karnataka.gov.in) The Bidders are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 3 of the instructions to bidders to qualify for award of the contract.
2. Bid documents may be downloaded from the KPP portal of the Government of Karnataka.
3. Other details can be seen in the tender documents.

Sl No.	Name of the work	Amount put to tender (Rs. in lakhs) Excluding GST	EMD (Amount in Rs)	Cost of Bid Document	Stipulated completion period (including monsoon period)
1	Turnkey Lumpsum, Fixed Price No Variation Tender Based on Tenderers Own Design for the work of Design, Construction, Supplying, Installation and Commissioning of 4 nos. of Transfer Station having closed compaction system for handling 260-265 TPD of MSW at selected locations of Hebbal, Pulikeshi Nagar, C.V.Raman Nagar and Shanthi Nagar. Package-1 (CALL-3).	4442.75	Rs.1,00,000/- through e-payment under of the following i.e., online / RTGS / NEFT / OTC and the balance Rs.43,42,750/- by Bank Guarantee/ FDR issued by Nationalized/ Scheduled Bank	As per KPP portal	9 Months

1. Pre bid meeting will be held on **06.05.2026 at 15:00 hours** in office of the Chief Engineer & Chief General Manager (Tech), BSWML, UNI Building, Thimmaiah Road, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru-560052.
2. Technical Documents along with necessary information/ documents must be uploaded to the KPP portal **https://KPPP.karnataka.gov.in** as per tender document **on or before 16:00 hours of 15.05.2026.** The Technical bids will be opened through kpp-portal only on **16.05.2026 after 16:30 hours** at the stipulated venue. through kpp-portal in the presence of the bidders or their authorized representatives who wish to attend the opening process. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.
3. The Employer shall not be liable for any delays due to system failure beyond its control. Even though the system will attempt to notify the bidders of any tender updates, the Employer shall not be liable for any information not received by the bidders. It is the bidders responsibility to verify the KPP portal for the latest information related to the bids, E-mail address of the Helpdesk is hphelpdesk.blr@intarvo.com. KPP portal help desk telephone numbers are: 080-22371090/ 22373788. The bidders are required to ensure browser capability of the computer well in advance to last date and time for receipt of the bids. The employer shall not be responsible for non-accessibility of KPP portal due to internet connectivity issues and technical glitches.
4. Any corrigendum/addendum will be published in the KPP portal only.

Sd/-
Deputy General Manager-2, BSWML

DIPR/CP/AAA/379/2026-27

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP Portal only)

KPTCL invites tenders for the following through KPP Portal coming under Transmission (Operations) Zone, KPTCL, Bengaluru :

(1) No:CEE/Tr(Op)ZB/SEE (O)/AE-2/F-483(2)/420kV CVT/2026-27/797 Date:24.04.2026

(1) Enquiry No:KPTCL/CEE/T(O)Z/BZ/2026-27/05/420kV CVT Dtd: 06.04.2026 for Design, Manufacture, Testing and Supply of **6 no's. of 420kV Class, 8800pF Capacitive Voltage Transformer (CVT)** for 400/220kV Nelamangala R/s, Nelamangala Operations Division, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, conforming to Technical Specifications. F.O.R.D at Store/Site basis, including insurance, transportation and unloading.

(2) No:CEE/Tr(Op)ZB/SEE (O)/AE-2/F-483(3)/220kV CT/2026-27/801 Date: 24.04.2026

(2) Enquiry No:KPTCL/CEE/T(O)Z/BZ/2026-27/06/220kV CT for Design, Manufacture, Testing and Supply of **6 no's. of 220kV Class Current Transformer (CT) for 400/220kV Nelamangala R/s**, Nelamangala Operations Division, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, conforming to Technical Specifications. F.O.R.D at Store/Site basis, including insurance, transportation and unloading.

(3) No:CEE/Tr(Op)ZB/SEE (O)/AE-2/F-483(4)/198kV Surge Arrester/2026-27/798 Dt: 24.04.2026

(3) Enquiry No:KPTCL/CEE/T(O)Z/BZ/2026-27/07/198kV Surge Arresters, Tender for Design, Manufacture, Testing and Supply of **12 no's of 198kV, 10kA, LD Class 3 Metal Oxide surge arresters** for replacement of surge arrester provided for 220kV lines at **400/220kV Nelamangala Receiving Station**, Nelamangala Operations Division, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, conforming to Technical Specifications. F.O.R.D at Store/Site basis, including insurance, transportation and unloading.

(4) No:CEE/Tr(Op)ZB/SEE (O)/AE-2/F-483(5)/320kV Surge Arrester/2026-27/800 Dt: 24.04.2026

Enquiry No:KPTCL/CEE/T(O)Z/BZ/2026-27/08/320kV Surge Arresters, Tender for Design, Manufacture, Testing and Supply of **5 no's of 390kV, 10kA, LD Class SH, Metal Oxide type Surge Arresters** to 400kV Receiving Station Nelamangala, Nelamangala Operations Division, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, conforming to Technical Specifications. F.O.R.D at Store/Site basis, including insurance, transportation and unloading.

(5) No: CEE/Tr(Op)ZB/SEE(O)/AE-2/BTOZ/F-490(1)/2026-27/799 Dt: 24.04.2026

(5) Enquiry No. KPTCL/CEE/T(O)Z/BZ/TLM MP-60/02/2026-27**, for Providing** 69 no's. of manpower services(Unskilled Labours) **on contract basis for maintenance of Transmission lines pertaining to** various TLM Subdivisions, **coming under Transmission (Operation) Zone, Bengaluru.**

The detailed notification regarding the subject enquiry in the KPP Portal process can be obtained by logging on to website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in on or after 27.04.2026 for Sl.No. (1) to (4) and on or after 28.04.2026 for Sl.No. (5).** Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Chief Engineer(Ele.), Transmission(Operations) Zone, KPTCL, Ananda Rao Circle, Bengaluru-560009.

STATE BANK OF INDIA

STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH, J.C. ROAD BENGALURU

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name: Sri.Govind L Ballal,
Chief Manager
Mob: +91 9449086490
E-mail Id: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in
Landline No: 080-2594-3663

Address of the Branch:
Building No.11/90, III Floor,
Opp.Trustwell Hospital,
J C Road, Bengaluru -560 002
Tel:080-2594-3678/3663
e-mail Id: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in.

APPENDIX-IV-A

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]

E-AUCTION SALE ON 19.05.2026

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property (excluding movables, if any, lying in the premises) under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrowers/Mortgagors in particular that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the actual physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS", and "WHATEVER THERE IS" basis on **19.05.2026** for recovery of **Rs.46,14,235/-** (Rupees Forty Six Lakh Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Five Only) as on 20.04.2026 and further interest at contractual rate from 21.04.2026 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc,due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from the Borrowers:**Sri.Sudhish Vijayakumaran Nair** S/o Sri.Vijayakumaran.P and **Smt.Lakshmi Nair** D/o Sri.Unnikrishnan (For A/c Nos. HL 39910736935, Suraksha 39914378363)

The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable properties to be sold will be as under:

Reserve Price (Below which the property will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid Increment Amount	Date &Time of e-Auction of property	Last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
Rs. 55,00,000/-	**Rs. 5,50,000/-**	**Rs.50,000/-**	**19.05.2026 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM**	**On or before 18.05.2026 up to 04.00 P.M.**

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI/SARB/GB/2026-27/42

Property ID : SBIN200051321420

SCHEDULE A PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of undeveloped converted land property bearing Sy No.58/1, which measuring 39.08 guntas, having PID No.77/58/1, situated at Kyalasanahalli Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (Conversion Order dated 08.08.2016 bearing No.ALN(KRPH):SR.26/2016-17 for residential use, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District) and bounded on: East by : Road, West by : Sy No.62, North by :Sy No.57, South by : Sy No.58/2 and remaining portion of Sy No.58/1.

SCHEDULE B PROPERTY : 346 Sq.feet undivided share, right, title, interest of land in the total land of Schedule A Property

SCHEDULE C PROPERTY: Flat bearing No.303 in Third Floor constructed over Schedule A Property contains 2 Bedrooms, Kitchen, Dinning, Toilets, Living Room with one car parking bearing No.303 and the super built up area, measuring 1055 Sq.feet (carpet area measuring 686 Sq.feet) of the apartment known as "DS – MAX SAGE", along with water and electricity together with common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircase and other areas for common use, standing jointly in the names of Sri.Sudhish Vijayakumaran Nair S/o Sri.Vijayakumaran.P and Smt.Lakshmi Nair D/o Sri.Unnikrishnan.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Structure	RCC frame structure
Walls	Concrete Block construction
Flooring	Vitrified flooring
Plumbing	European Water Closet (EWC) of branded make, hot and cold water mixer shower in all toilets, all chromium plated fittings of branded make
Electrical	ISI marked switches and wires
Door	Main door of natural wood frame, shutters with both side Masonite skin

15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER "SARFAESI" ACT,2002.

The Borrowers/Mortgagors is hereby noticed to pay the sum mentioned above within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the Bank shall sell the properties as per the provisions laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor represented by the Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, SARB, Bengaluru ie., http://www.baanknet.com

For further details regarding inspection of the properties the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer as mentioned above or Bank's Approved Resolution Agent, M/s Sri Devi Resolutions Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore Representative: Sri.Manjunath Rao Cell No.9986363038.

To the best of knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on any of the above said properties.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided in http://www.baanknet.com

Date: 22.04.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer & Chief Manager
State Bank of India,
Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bengaluru

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Established under the State Financial Corporation Act 1951)
Bangalore Rural Branch
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Sri. H Govindappa S/o Hanumanthappa, Guarantor & CS Owner, **M/s Origin Engineering Solutions**, Maruthi Nilaya, Maruthi Nagar, Doddaballapura Town. Bangalore Rural District -561 201.

Dear Sir,

SUB: Notice issued under Section 13(2) of the securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act.2002 (hereinafter referred to as the SARFAESI ACT).

M/s Origin Engineering Solutions, a Partnership Firm of Partners Sri. Padmaraju and Smt. Komala, situated at No.48, 4th B Cross, Nandagokula Industrial Layout Near Manjushree Garments, Thigalarapalya Main Road, Bangalore-560056 hereinafter reffered to as the 'Borrower has availed the following loan from KSFC, Rural Branch Office of our Corporation.

(Amount in Rs.)

A/c No.	Date of Sanction	Amount sanctioned	Amt. disbursed	Rate of Int.
26055800	31-Oct-2011	25,00,000/-	25,00,000/-	14% + 2%
26055801	07-May-2013	35,00,000/-	35,00,000/-	14% + 2%
26055815	07-May-2013	5,00,000/-	5,00,000/-	14% + 2%
26055816	15-Nov-2016	40,00,000/-	40,00,000/-	14% + 2%

Balance as on 10.07.2025

(Rs. in lakhs)

A/c No.	LB	PRI	INT	OD	TOTAL DUES
26055801	-	3,05,296-00	3,30,584-00	3,050-00	6,38,930-00
26055816	-	25,07,438-00	26,47,032-00	0.00	51,54,470-00
Total	-	28,12,734-00	29,77,616-00	3,050-00	57,93,400-00

You being the surety for the said loans have created security interest by mortgaging the schedule property in favour of the Corporation. The repayment in the accounts are not regular as per the repayment conditions stipulated and the over dues in the said accounts are to the extent of Rs.57,93,400/- (Rupees Fifty Seven lakhs Ninetythree Thousand and Four Hundread only) as on 10/07/2025.

Due to the default committed by the principal borrower, the above loan account has been classified as a Non-performing Asset on 30-04-2019 in accordance with the prevailing norms for NPAs. In spite of repeated demands and requests borrower did not take suitable/effective steps to liquidate the said loan account dues.

The repayment of the above mentioned credit facilities have been guaranteed by you vide Agreement dated: 18-11-2016 executed by you in our favour. Further, you have also secured the above mentioned loans granted to the Borrower, by way of mortgage of your assets more specifically descried in the schedule to this notice, by registering mortgage / mortgage of deposit of title deeds in favour of the KSFC and also by virtue of the relevant documents executed by you in our favour.

In this regard, the Branch has also issued notice dated 12/12/2024 to the Borrower and to you, as the guarantor / mortgagor calling upon all of you to clear the liabilities immediately. However, in spite of the same, neither the Borrower nor you have not discharged the liabilities or paid the overdues amount till date.

Hence, we are hereby issuing notice to you under Section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act calling upon you to discharge the above mentioned liabilities in full, within sixty days from the date of notice, failing which, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Secured Creditor, shall be entitled to exercise all or any one of the rights under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act.

In case you do not discharge the above liabilities in terms of this notice, we shall exercise all or any one of the rights conferred under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act. without any further notice.

By this notice you are hereby restrained from dealing or transferring by way of sale/ lease or on any other manner any of the secured assets mentioned in the schedule in any manner whatsoever, without our prior written consent as per Section 13(13) of the SARFAESI Act.

This notice is issued without prejudice to any other rights available to the Corporation under the subject Act and or any other law in force.

Schedule of the properties

All that piece and parcel of residential property bearing Site No.316, 1st Block, Sir M Vishweshvaraiah Layout, Kengeri, Bangalore measuring 30X40=1200 sq.ft standing in the name of Sri. H Govindappa S/o Hanumanthappa and bounded on the: EAST BY: Property bearing No.317, WEST BY: Property bearing No.315, NORTH BY: Property bearing No.355, SOUTH BY: Road

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Assistant General Manager

CC to: Sri. Padmaraju Managing Partner, M/s Origin Engineering Solutions, No.802, Tower 4, Slarpuria Sattva Divinity, Pantharapalya, Nayandahalli Bangalore-560038
Smt. C M Komal, D/o Sri.M Mahalingam Kumbarapet Ward, Doddaballapura Taluk Bangalore Rual District - 561201

EDITORIAL

History is always written and is even being rewritten. But photo history cannot be rewritten | Raghu Rai

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— Ramnath Goenka

TRUMP'S SECURITY COVER REVEALS GAPS AGAIN, AS DO HIS GLOBAL INITIATIVES

A dramatic attempt to assassinate US President Donald Trump at the crowded White House Correspondents' Dinner turned what is usually a platform for good-natured humour into a moment of alarm, once again putting the spotlight on vulnerabilities in his security cover. The assailant breached an outer security layer and opened fire at a checkpoint before being overpowered, prompting the evacuation of the president and other senior officials. This is the third attempt on Trump's life in two years, underlining the persistence of threats even within heavily guarded environments and raising fresh questions about preparedness at high-profile public events.

The incident could yield a brief political dividend for Trump at a time when his approval ratings have been under pressure—amid criticism of the attack on Iran, the resulting global economic uncertainty and inflationary concerns at home. His presidency has already unsettled the rules-based global order, complicating foreign policy for both allies and adversaries. His unilateral tariff regime, for instance, ran into legal resistance domestically, reflecting institutional pushback.

Iran, meanwhile, has demonstrated through asymmetric responses that it is no easy adversary, despite suffering significant losses. Key US allies such as the UK, Italy, France and Spain have stayed away from direct military involvement, signalling unease with Washington's approach. Trump's shifting positions—on Nato, on the Strait of Hormuz, and on the conduct of the conflict—have added to the uncertainty, even as diplomatic efforts continue to find a pathway to de-escalation.

For India, the inconsistency of this approach has been evident. From threats of tariffs over discounted Russian oil purchases to temporary waivers amid global energy volatility, policy has oscillated. The lapse of sanctions relief linked to the Chabahar port also carries strategic implications, potentially altering regional dynamics.

No civilised society can countenance political violence, and the attempt on Trump's life must be unequivocally condemned. At the same time, it is imperative for his administration to address the deeper ecosystem that enables such acts—including the wide prevalence of firearms and rising political polarisation. Ultimately, it is public discontent—economic as much as political—that may prove more consequential, with the potential to reshape the balance of power in Congress in the months ahead.

REMOVE BLOT OF TOURIST ASSAULTS TO WELCOME MORE

INDIA'S image as a hospitable destination for foreign tourists is in peril because of regular reports of sexual attacks on women. A horror story was recently reported from Karnataka's Kodagu district, where an American tourist was drugged and raped in a homestay. The wifi was disabled, and she was barred from calling the police or leaving the resort for four days. She eventually managed to reach out to the US embassy and file a complaint. The accused cook and homestay owner are in custody, and the operator's tourism licence has been cancelled. In March last year, an Israeli tourist and a homestay operator were raped; one of their three male companions who were pushed into the Tungabhadra river near Hampi drowned. The accused trio was sentenced to death. Other chilling tales include a Spanish travel influencer gangraped in Jharkhand and her partner assaulted, and a British tourist violated in her Delhi hotel room. The 2008 drug-rape-murder of Scarlett Keeling on a Goa beach is a reminder of India's abysmal history of sexual crimes in tourist hotspots.

It is a matter of shame that travel advisories issued by Canada, the UK and the US warn their citizens of the possibility of sexual assault in India's tourist areas and advise women not to travel alone. An American woman solo traveller recently shared online that she felt unsafe in India, giving only Kerala and the northeastern states high scores on security. While the spectre of terrorism continues to cast a shadow on foreign tourism in India, such word of mouth can be devastating for the labour-intensive sector. The danger for tourists is aggravated in an era when online bookings can be led by fake reviews, without the advantage of actual local knowledge.

The picture is complicated by the proliferation of informal transactions. Post the Kodagu incident, Karnataka has cracked down on illegal homestays. Tourism-dependent states such as Goa and Uttarakhand have strict licensing systems, but they cannot deter fraud or assault beyond a point. While a dedicated tourism police force and a multilingual helpline have been set up, a more robust support system is necessary. Tourism relies heavily on trust. Rape and exploitation of foreign guests must be treated as blots to be urgently removed in a nation that prides itself on the spirit of '*Atithi devo bhava*'.

QUICK TAKE

HOW TO LIMIT SCREENS

THE UK government has updated its parental guidance on something policy makers across India are debating—children's screen-time. The new norms, which considered the latest research, prescribe no solo screen-time for under-twos and the maximum of an hour a day for 2-5 year olds, without any screens at meals. A study published last year by AIIMS Raipur researchers showed Indian children under five spend an average of 2.2 hours daily on screens, more than double the limit recommended by the Indian Academy of Pediatrics. A tenth of Indian toddlers are give a screen to calm them while being fed. If we don't want to impair the next generation's language and cognitive skills, we must limit usage and replace screens with storytelling during meals and during the hour before bed.

The war in West Asia has disrupted the fabrication, logistics, energy supply and deployment of AI infrastructure. With the cost uncertainty widening, companies are delaying digital transformation projects

THE GULF WAR'S TOLL ON ASIA'S AI AMBITIONS

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THE Iran war has created an instructive paradox: it is accelerating military AI adoption even as it damages the material systems that make AI possible. On March 1, Iranian drone strikes against data centres in the UAE and Bahrain, along with the closure of the Strait of Hormuz, revealed how exposed digital infrastructure has become to regional conflict. This is the first major stress test of AI infrastructure's geopolitical vulnerability. It reveals the extent to which computational power, model training and defence innovation depend on fragile supply chains that span the Gulf, East Asia and China-controlled material chokepoints.

That vulnerability is severe because AI is not an immaterial technology. Its performance depends on helium for chip fabrication, bromine for photoresist chemistry, tungsten for tooling and munitions, advanced semiconductor components and uninterrupted flows of energy resources such as liquefied natural gas and crude oil. The conflict has therefore damaged both the demand and supply sides of the AI economy. Defence agencies are turning more rapidly to algorithmic systems, while manufacturers face rising energy costs, logistics paralysis and shortages of essential inputs. Asia, which entered 2026 with a formidable lead in chip fabrication and AI deployment, now faces a structural shock that may delay its climb.

The war's most immediate effect has been to reassert the importance of material chokepoints. March's missile strikes on Qatar's Ras Laffan complex removed about a third of the semiconductor-grade helium supply from the global market, producing a sharp price shock. Repairs are expected to take up to five years, in part because the global turbine shortages needed for replacement infrastructure already constrain maintenance schedules. Helium matters because it is indispensable in extreme ultraviolet lithography and other advanced chip processes used by leading-edge foundries such as TSMC and Samsung. Without it, production of 5nm-class and more advanced nodes becomes expensive and uncertain.

The Strait of Hormuz compounds the problem. Its effective closure has transformed a regional conflict into a global energy shock, rapidly inflating the energy bills of semiconductor plants, data centres and industrial customers across East Asia. The impact is especially severe in South Korea, where roughly 70 percent of oil imports are tied to West Asia.

At the same time, Israel and Jordan, which together account for a significant share of global bromine production, have seen their output chains disrupted, threatening photoresist chemistry that is fundamental to chip manufacturing. China's tungsten export controls, already associated with a dramatic price surge, further intensify the crisis because tungsten carbide is essential for semiconductor tooling. The result is a layered disruption affecting fabrication, logistics, energy and downstream AI deployment simultaneously.

These material disruptions strike at a moment when Asia had become the principal engine of AI trade expansion. By one estimate, Asia contributed nearly two-thirds of global AI trade growth in the first half of 2025. In that context, the crisis, aside from raising prices, also challenges the strategic assumption that Asia is a stable place to build the physical backbone of AI.

Delays at ports, rerouting requirements and the rising cost of insurance and transport all introduce friction into supply chains that were already optimised for speed rather than resilience. That friction matters most for high-bandwidth memory (D-RAM) production in South Korea, where the combination of energy volatility and helium shortages threatens output and reliability.

AI training costs, meanwhile, have risen by an estimated 15-20 percent due to the energy shock alone. For firms contemplating large-scale model training, cloud expansion or data centre localisation, that increase is a direct reconsideration of project economics. TSMC faces a different but equally serious vulnerability: its dependence on helium makes 5nm-and-below production more exposed to external disruption, including the GPU supply chains that serve Nvidia and other AI accelerators.

The broader consequence is a pause in corporate decision-making. Companies are already delaying AI and digital transformation projects, because cost uncertainty has widened abruptly.

The war has also clarified a deeper paradox in defence modernisation. The Pentagon has confirmed the use of "advanced AI tools" in combat operations against Iran, highlighting how rapidly military organisations are integrating machine intelligence into targeting, intelligence fusion and operational planning. Yet, every such system rests on hardware that depends on semiconductors, and every precision-guided munition, missile defence radar and stealth aircraft is similarly dependent on the same fragile industrial ecosystem. The war is thus accelerating demand for military AI at the very moment it is constraining the industrial inputs required to produce it.

That contradiction is sharpened by dependence on China-controlled materials. Most advanced defence chips use gallium nitride, whose exports to the US China embargoed in 2024. As highlighted, China also controls more than 80 percent of tungsten production, which is essential for munitions. Conventional warfare consumes the same upstream materials that support advanced industry. China also dominates gallium and germanium production, both of which are essential for guidance electronics in missiles. This creates a coupling trap: the cheapest and most expensive munitions alike depend on materials controlled by a strategic competitor.

The characterisation of Iranian strikes on data centres as "the first war against AI" identifies a strategic reality. AI has become a wartime target precisely because it is now central to not only warfighting but also economic sustainability. What emerges, then, is a structural lesson. The Iran conflict has exposed the fact that AI supremacy depends equally on geopolitical stability and material access, not innovation alone.

Asia's rise in chip and AI leadership faces a constraint that no amount of software sophistication can remove: the underlying physical systems sustaining computation remain vulnerable to conflicts thousands of miles away. The scramble for military AI reveals a further irony, since the nations seeking algorithmic advantage depend on adversaries for the raw materials. Until alternative supply chains are built, Asia's technological ascent will remain vulnerable to West Asian stability and Chinese material dominance.

(Views are personal)

FEAR FACTOR IN POLITICS OF HEDGING

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WITH the high-voltage poll campaign coming to an end in West Bengal, both incumbent Trinamool Congress and prime challenger BJP are competing to win the war of perception by claiming to be on course to win over 200 seats in the 294-member Assembly. While dominating the perception war is a familiar electoral strategy in India to attract the undecided voters, in Bengal's political psychology and culture of reprisals, it is an indispensable factor for any party to inculcate a sense of confidence among their voters to step out and vote freely. This must be kept in mind while reviewing the ground scenario across the state.

Among the observations flowing from travelling across the state is a palpably stronger anti-Trinamool sentiment among Hindus across age brackets. But, at the same time, the degree to which the same voters are willing to hedge about the possibility of voting as per their true sentiments is way more than in the 2021 Assembly election.

Two, women voters—a trusted bloc whose support Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has enjoyed—are more divided in their loyalties this time, with electorally-divided households noticed in some rural areas. The pull of the 'Mamata magnet' also seems to have weakened among urban and working women, as they are weighing security and aspirational issues more than the women-centric state welfare schemes successfully launched.

Rural women are oscillating between the call for change being peddled by men and the need for continuing with the gamut of state welfare schemes, within which Lakshmir Bhandar is a prime anchor of sentiments. Compounding this intra-household contrast in electoral sentiment is the issue of rural distress. Though the potato harvest in the country's second largest producer state has been good this time, the prices have been so low that many farmers had to leave the crop in the field.

The issue of young members of rural households feeling the acute pain of unemployment is another tangible issue. Yet there is a significant section of rural women who are not willing to let go of the money coming to their accounts from the government schemes. Hence, the biggest take-away from observing closely the state's three Ms—Muslims, Matuas and mahilas—who are considered crucial factors in the electoral arena, the mahilas may be the deciding factor as they hedge their bets.

No wonder then that the BJP's central leadership, led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah, has over-emphasised women's issue by making a triad of promises—continuation of the welfare schemes with larger sums, reservation of a third of jobs for women, and improvement of their security given the fear of incidents like those at Sandeshkhali and the R G Kar Medical College and Hospital.

PTI

West Bengal's urban and working women seem to be interested more in security and aspirational issues this year. But rural women are fearful that a new regime would withdraw welfare schemes like Lakshmir Bhandar. This split could end up deciding the state's mandate

On the other hand, the Trinamool leadership is reaching out to women via schemes like Lakshmir Bhandar and stressing the fear factor among them that a change in government would result in the benefits coming to an end, which may have many takers in the rural areas and in the poorer households.

In contrast to these layered ground scenarios among the Hindu households, the Muslims present a nearly unified and electorally consolidated picture, barring few exceptions. In our field study, we found a continuity of the 2021 trend of Muslim consolidation behind the incumbent Trinamool in most constituencies. The sentiment is a classical outcome of electoral pragmatism and minority insecurity when the BJP has emerged as the prime challenger. This election may even see minorities backing the incumbent government even more strongly than in 2021, as politics over the special intensive revision of the electoral rolls has created a new reason to perceive Trinamool as their saviour. Other local claimants of the Muslim vote, such as the Indian Secular Front led by Nawsad Siddique, chief cleric at Furfura sharif, and Humayun Kabir, head of the Aam Janata Unnayan Party, seem substantially marginalised as spoilers for the community's vote.

For the BJP, the challenge is to fuse the economic frustrations with the demographic fear—perceived or real—among Hindu voters. While the sentiment may be conducive for the saffron party, the issue of organisational weakness when compared to the incumbent is a real factor that may affect their endeavour.

The importance of the fear factor as a variable in Bengal's politics seems to have diminished, as is evident from reports of the people coming out in numbers to vote enthusiastically in the first phase across groups. Yet the riddle over the women's vote within the whole complicates any analysis.

One factor to note is the Trinamool Congress's lead among women voters in the 2021 Assembly election and the 2024 Lok Sabha election—13 percent and 20 percent, respectively. With a possible dip in support among the urban and working women, the question that remains open is how the rural women's votes would be split, it would be reasonable to observe a momentum away from the Trinamool base.

Even with all these evolving equations, it remains to be seen whether the BJP can cross the Rubicon this time, when a large cohort of male voters are whispering in one direction and women voters are hedging their choice. Bengal remains an enigma in which any quest for electoral certainty is a gamble.

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Prioritise nutrition

Ref: *100% ethanol blending* (Apr 27). The diversion of foodgrains toward fuel in a country still battling malnutrition deserves serious scrutiny. With maize, pulses and oilseeds supplies shifting focus, food insecurity would hurt the poorest the most. An alternative that deserves priority is second-generation ethanol from agricultural waste that offers the same energy gains.
A Myilsami, Coimbatore

Scorched Earth

Ref: *Bengaluru signals danger* (Apr 27). Urban heat is a sleeping cell of disaster waiting to take over all Indian cities. This will stop only when we have urban and rural developments evenly poised. Let each one plant a tree, so that we all make our country extreme heat free.
S A Srinivasa Sarma, Hyderabad

Buddha's path

Ref: *A vow in gold* (Apr 27). Buddha's life teaches an important lesson: true peace comes from within; not material possessions. Practicing mindfulness, developing compassion and understanding the impermanence of life are key. Self-reliance and inner transformation are *sine qua non* for enlightenment.
R Pichumani, email

Political theatrics

Ref: *Big breach* (Apr 27). In an era of sharp polarisation, such dramatic incidents inevitably invite public scrutiny—not merely about motive but also how crises are politically framed. Reducing this episode to partisan advantage—or treating it as political theatre amid criticism over policy—would be deeply irresponsible.
Vidyasagar Reddy Kethiri, Warangal

Republic's integrity

Ref: *Swing factors* (Apr 27). If a vote is cast out of dread rather than hope, and institutions overseeing the process are viewed as arbitrary, is out democracy healthy? High turnout should not be the only yardstick for a republic's strength; institutional integrity matters just as much.
S Padmanabhan, Kochi

Poetic lens

Ref: *Raghu Rai no more* (Apr 27). Raghu Rai was a poet among photographers who wrote heart-touching verses through the frames he captured. Each of his pictures told tales of time and exposed life as it is. His passing is definitely an irreparable loss to the world of photography and culture.
M Pradyu, Kannur

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Abhishek Singhvi @DrAMSinghvi
A sitting Chief Minister calling a Supreme Court judge "his govt's judge" is not a slip of tongue, it is a dangerous glimpse into mindset.

Aaditya Thackeray @AUThackeray
The proposal to steer municipal corporation schools towards privatization during the BJP regime is extremely alarming and unfortunate.

Amit Malviya @amitmalviya
The EC has deployed CAPF personnel across every corner to ensure your safety. And let me say this clearly, after the elections, a BJP government is set to come to power.

'WHY DO PEOPLE LIVE IN THE PAST? MOVE ON'

When you are at the top, success or failure rests on individual decision. This didn't mean I didn't have my higher-ups' support: Ex-Army Chief Gen M M Naravane

THIS book is written for readers who seek insight into what makes the Indian armed forces tick, combining clear language with wit. The newly released work by ex-Army chief General **Manoj Mukund Naravane**, 'The Curious and the Classified —Unearthing Military Myths and Mysteries'—takes readers into the esprit de corps of the armed forces. It explores themes such as their apolitical character, discipline, the "duality" of ranks, and traditions like the "Jai Hind" salute, popularised by the Air Force.

The book also delves into the military's distinctive culture—its humour, logistical ingenuity, and battlefield slang and acronyms (AWOL, SNAFU, FUBAR, MIA, PTSD), as well as customs of the officers' mess and colloquial expressions like do bottle, teen glass and chak de phatte. These elements are interwoven with true-life anecdotes in the book, the third in a row including his yet-to-be published autobiography, Four Stars of Destiny.

Earlier this year, Rahul Gandhi, Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha, was prevented from referring to portions of the memoir in Parliament, as it had not yet been officially released. The publisher, Penguin Random House, clarified that the book had neither been published nor distributed at the time, and warned that any circulating copies—print or digital—were unauthorised and constituted copyright infringement.

Gen Naravane spoke to **Bala Chauhan** about 'The Curious and the Classified', the culture of the armed forces, the threat India faces from its eastern adversary, China, and the controversy around his unpublished memoir. **Excerpts**:

Verbatim

'The Curious and the Classified' brings to light military heroes such as Rifleman Jaswant Singh Rawat of the Garhwal Rifles immortalised for his role in the 1962 India-China war; Rifleman Badluram of Assam Regiment, on whom the regiment's anthem is based; and Baba Harbhajan Singh of Punjab Regiment, whose spiritual presence is believed to endure even today, with a chair left vacant for him during flag meetings between India and China. The book offers a lucid insight into various aspects of the armed forces and what makes them tick.

Your thoughts.
I enjoyed writing it. I must thank my wife Veena for it. Before I sat down to write it, she had cautioned me against writing military history or a policy document. She asked me to keep the language and style simple and engaging. I had a couple of ideas, which I discussed with my friends in the Army. They did not know many of the stories. This encouraged me to write the book on what makes the armed forces tick.

You mention Post-traumatic stress disorder as a serious issue affecting many veterans—could you expand on that?
I used to joke with friends that each time I heard a firecracker during Diwali I looked for cover. Whenever a tire burst happened, I would look around for the source of sound. Any loud sound signalled danger.

The chapter on 'Do bottle, Teen glass' culture of bonhomie among officers, despite their rank and position in a hierarchical organisation, is endearing.
Yes. It served as a bonding among officers and created the much-needed space. Three officers irrespective of their rank and posting bonded over two bottles of beer and three glasses as a reminder that despite its hard exterior the army is ultimately made up of ordinary men and women with their strengths and weaknesses. But sadly, now this culture is possibly on the wane because of lesser strength of officers. Everyone is hard pressed for time.

Has the controversy surrounding your memoir, 'Four Stars of Destiny', affected you personally?
There is no controversy. Penguin issued an official clarification on it. My autobiography has been put on hold and is being vetted by the Ministry of Defence. Readers and the common public should understand that the book that was flashed (in Parliament) was fake because it was not published. They should have asked where the book came from. I have moved on since and written two books—'The Cantonment Controversy: A Military Thriller' and 'The Curious and the Classified'. I am writing a sequel to the 'Cantonment Conspiracy'.

Why do people live in the past? Move on.

You mentioned experiencing a sense of loneliness at the top while serving as Chief of the Army Staff during the 2020 India-China face-off. Please elaborate.
Loneliness of command has been spoken and written about at length in almost all battles. Famously, Gen Dwight Eisenhower as the supreme Allied commander was struck by the loneliness and isolation of a commander before making the momentous decision of D-Day invasion in June 1944. When you are at the top you are aware that success or failure of an operation rests on your individual decision. This did not mean that I didn't have the support of my higher ups. Loneliness at that point didn't mean that I was abandoned or isolated.

Before planning military operations, we have multiple deliberations, which are run through the chain of command, including the RM (Raksha Mantri), CCS (Cabinet Committee on Security), NSA (National Security Advisor), at the highest level. There are also occasions when you have to take spot decision and you cannot deter or defer. Once a decision is taken everyone comes along. That night, in August 2020 I realised that the time to test my years of military training has come and I had to take a call. It was a defining moment.

What did the RM's direction to you—'Jo uchit samjho wo karo'—mean?
It meant that I had the freedom to carry out the military operation within the given timeframe. There was time for action. It was not a knee jerk reaction. We contemplated for half an hour and there was back and forth communication. We stopped PLA in their tracks. We didn't lose any territory. It was a whole of nation effort.

China continues to pose a constant threat to India. How do you think we can address this challenge?
We have an unresolved boundary issue with them. The LAC is not clearly marked and there is a difference of perception. We must negotiate hard to build better relations with PRC. One of the proposals the Chinese had floated in the 1950s was that they keep Aksai Chin and we keep Arunachal Pradesh. But the legality behind such a proposal needs to be examined.

There have been attempts to politicise the Army? Your comments.
The Indian Army is one of the most democratic organisations in the world. We are trained to be battle hardened and there is a chain of command that we must follow. There are serious and mature deliberations with the RM, CCS. That's how the higher defence organisation is structured. That does not mean that the army is politicised.

You end your book by signing off with "PPC" (pour prendre congé), French for "to take leave" or "farewell." How does a former COAS relax?
I play with my grandson.

DEFECTION

RS Chairman accepts AAP MPs' merger with BJP

Chadha explains decision

Meanwhile, Chadha released a fresh video explaining his decision to quit the AAP. He alleged that the party was no longer the same, and turned into a "toxic work environment", where leaders were stopped from working.

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

RAJYA Sabha chairman C P Radhakrishnan on Monday approved the merger of seven Rajya Sabha MPs of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) with the BJP. All MPs—including Raghav Chadha, Harbhajan Singh, Rajinder Gupta, Vikram Sahney, Ashok Mittal, and Sandeep Pathak from Punjab and Swati Maliwal from Delhi—are now official BJP representatives in the Upper House. The BJP's strength in the house has reached 113 now, which reflects on the Rajya Sabha portal now.

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju greeted the newly inducted MPs. In post of X, Rijiju said, "Chairman Rajya Sabha C P Radhakrishnan Ji has accepted the merger of 7 AAP MPs with BJP... For a long time I've observed that these 7 Honb'le MPs have not resorted to abusive language and never created indiscipline and Un-Parliamentary conducts... Welcome to nation building NDA under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister@narendramodi ji and good bye to Tukde-Tukde INDI Alliance."

However, AAP said it would move the court against the merger decision. Chairperson of the AAP Parliamentary Party and Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Singh said, "The objection raised by us and the disqualification we demanded based on the 10th schedule of the Constitution has not even been considered. I am hopeful that when our letter is considered, the Chairman will rule in favour of the Constitution and democracy, and disqualify the membership of these seven MPs. Otherwise, we will move court."

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Kiren Rijiju, Union MInister

Crucial is Chair's decision on disqualification petition of AAP MPs, says expert

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

MAINTAINING that the merger of the seven AAP MPs with the BJP is a violation of the 10th Schedule of the Constitution, former Lok Sabha secretary general and constitutional expert P D T Achary said that the MPs are still technically not part of the BJP parliamentary group in the Upper House. Speaking to this newspaper, Achary said that the disqualification petition against the seven MPs by Sanjay Singh is pending before the Rajya Sabha Chairman and it will be a crucial factor in deciding the fate of them. "The AAP can take the next step after the Chair takes cognizance of the petition," he said.

Achary's remarks came after the Rajya Sabha Secretariat updated the party-wise list of members in the House, adding seven AAP MPs with the BJP. With this, the AAP's strength in the Upper House has reduced to three.

While the updated bulletin indicated Chairman C P Radhakrishnan has accepted the AAP MP's request to merge with the BJP, Achary said it has no legal implications.

Singh had submitted a petition to Radhakrishnan on Sunday, seeking disqualification of the MPs for violating the anti-defection law.

"According to the Rules framed under tenth schedule (Anti-defection law) any change in the party's strength in the house has to be notified to the presiding officer and to the secretariat. There is nothing more to it," he said, adding that what matters is the chairman's decision on the disqualification petition.

Achary says the AAP can take legal course only after the decision of the Chair on the disqualification petition. "The merger is a clear violation of the 10th Schedule. The sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 4 of the 10th Schedule says that the merger should be by the original political party," Achary added.

Sunjay Kapur family trust case: SC urges Rani, Priya Kapur to mediate

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday suggested mediation in the dispute about the family trust of industrialist Sunjay Kapur involving his mother Rani Kapur and wife Priya Kapoor. The court observed that a prolonged inheritance battle involving an 80-year-old litigant would serve little purpose and may not be constructive.

"Why are you all fighting? You are 80. This is not the age for your client to fight. Go for mediation once and for all, from A to Z. Otherwise, this is a waste," a bench of Justices J B Pardiwala and Vijay Bishnoi told the lawyers of the warring Kapurs.

The top court was hearing a suit filed by Rani Kapur challenging the creation of the Rani Kapur Family Trust. She has alleged that the trust was set up through fraudulent means to deprive her of her estate, including the control of the Sona Group companies.

Rani Kapur has claimed in the petition that after she suffered a stroke in 2017, her late son Sunjay Kapur and his wife Priya Kapur took advantage of her condition and confidence and transferred her assets into the trust without her informed consent. She further claimed that she was made to sign documents, including blank papers, under the guise of routine formalities. The tussle between Rani Kapur and Priya Kapur heightened following the sudden demise of Sunjay Kapur in June 2025.

The bench, however, suggested a negotiated settlement. "It will be in the interest of all the parties concerned if they go for mediation and try to resolve the disputes peacefully and equitably... We shall, if necessary, hear the matter on merits. However, first, we should make an attempt to convince the parties to go for mediation," the court said and fixed the matter for the next week.

Heart of the tussle: Sona Comstar and a trust

In May 2019, Sona Comstar received a declaration of significant beneficial ownership identifying Sunjay Kapur as the sole beneficial owner of Rani Kapoor Family Trust. The person who controls the trust will ultimately end up controlling a large part of Sona Comstar.

At the heart of the tussle is auto component manufacturing company Sona BLW Precision Forgings Ltd (Sona Comstar). Currently valued at ₹36,571 crore, Sona Comstar has 71.98% public shareholding and 28.02% held by promoter entity AIPL. In May 2019, Sona Comstar received a declaration of significant beneficial ownership identifying Sunjay Kapur as the sole beneficial owner of Rani Kapoor Family Trust, a significant shareholder of AIPL. The person who controls Rani Kapoor Family Trust will ultimately end up controlling a large part of Sona Comstar.

Significantly, the proceedings are in addition to the related issues pending litigation before the High Court of Delhi, including matters of division of family wealth involving Sunjay Kapur's children with his ex-wife and actor Karisma Kapoor.

Groundwater depletion across India, high-level expert committee formed

JITENDRA CHOUBEY
@ New Delhi

THE principal bench of the National Green Tribunal (NGT) has taken a significant step to address the worsening groundwater depletion crisis in India by forming a high-level expert committee. It is expected to submit its report in the next four months.

The bench, which includes Justice Prakash Shrivastava (Chairperson), Dr A Senthil Vel (Expert Member), and Dr Afroz Ahmad (Expert Member), reviewed data submitted by the Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA) and various State and Union Territory governments. They found widespread over-exploitation of groundwater in multiple regions and inadequate enforcement of regulatory guidelines.

Data indicates that Punjab has the highest percentage of over-exploited units at 75.16%, followed by Haryana at 61.54%, NCT Delhi at 41.18%, Tamil Nadu at 33.87%, and Karnataka at 18.99%. Moreover, many states have not submitted their reports. The NGT initiated a suo-motu case based on a media report that highlighted alarming predictions regarding groundwater levels in several regions, including the Indo-Gangetic basin and northwestern India, which may drop to critically low levels.

The tribunal reviewed compiled data, revealing that insufficient enforcement of regulatory guidelines has led to extensive over-exploitation of groundwater.

To address these critical issues, the tribunal has established a high-level committee comprising representatives from the National Geophysical Research Institute (NGRI), Geological Survey of India (GSI), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), and IIT Roorkee, with the CGWA serving as the nodal agency. The committee has been directed to submit its report within three months.

Panel members

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Rajnath in Bishkek for SCO defence meeting

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

DEFENCE Minister Rajnath Singh landed in Bishkek on Monday to lead India's delegation at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Defence Ministers' Meeting. Regional security, terrorism and the geopolitical fallout of the West Asia crisis are likely to dominate discussions.

According to a government statement on Monday, Singh will "highlight India's commitment towards global peace, amidst the prevailing global security challenges," while firmly underlining New Delhi's "zero tolerance for terrorism & extremism" before the 10-member grouping that spans much of Eurasia's strategic arc.

Singh is also expected to hold bilateral meetings on the sidelines with counterparts from key participating nations.

With the US-Israel and Iran confrontation and wider West Asia instability threatening energy routes, economic corridors and regional security calculations, SCO members are expected to deliberate on ways to limit broader strategic disruption.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh with members of the Indian diaspora in Bishkek | PTI

India also supports Kyrgyz capacity-building

Defence ties between New Delhi and Bishkek have strengthened steadily through military training, counter-terror cooperation and the annual "Khanjar" special forces exercise. India also supports Kyrgyz capacity-building through training programmes and strategic exchanges, part of a broader push to retain influence in a region where China's footprint has expanded rapidly.

At last year's SCO defence ministers' meeting in Qingdao, held in the immediate aftermath of the Pahalgam terror attack, India sharpened its anti-terror pitch by demanding an unequivocal regional stance against cross-border terrorism and refused to endorse the joint statement after concerns over the attack were not adequately reflected. Singh also reiterated that connectivity initiatives must respect sovereignty and territorial integrity, language seen as a pointed reference to projects such as the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor.

Established in 2001 by China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan, the SCO was originally conceived as a Eurasian security bloc to counter terrorism, separatism and extremism. It has since expanded into one of the world's largest political-security groupings, with India and Pakistan joining as full members in 2017, Iran in 2023 and Belarus later. India's entry was strategically significant, giving it a direct seat in a forum dominated by China-Russia influence while also opening a structured channel into Central Asia.

Kyrgyzstan, the current host, holds particular strategic value in India's Connect Central Asia policy. Defence ties between New Delhi and Bishkek have strengthened through military training, counter-terror cooperation and the annual "Khanjar" special forces exercise, which has become a cornerstone of bilateral military engagement.

DOWRY DEATH

A newly married woman was allegedly stabbed to death by her husband in Jharkhand over dowry, police said on Monday. Momena Khatun, 19, had married Sanir Sheikh four months ago.

2 KILLED

3 HURT AS CAR PUNGES INTO GORGE IN U'KHAND

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	27	14	Mumbai	28	23
Bhopal	26	10	Panaji	32	20
Jaipur	23	11	Patna	17	09
Amritsar	12	06	Lucknow	18	09
Chennai	28	21	Port Blair	28	24
Kolkata	23	14	Imphal	22	10
Srinagar	09	-3	Chandigarh	17	09

Writes letter to Bengal voters, says rallies were more like a spiritual journey ● The TMC chief holds roadshows in Tollygunge and Rashbehari

MODI INVOKES FAITH IN CAMPAIGN

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

THE election campaigns in West Bengal were more like a spiritual journey than a political exercise, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Monday, as he addressed voters on the last day of campaigning for the second and final phase of the Assembly polls.

Modi, the BJP's challenger-in-chief against the ruling All India Trinamool Congress (TMC) led by Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee, made the remarks in an AI-generated audio message and an open letter.

The ongoing two-phase polls cover all 294 Assembly constituencies in the state, with the final phase involving 142 seats across seven districts, including Kolkata in south Bengal.

Modi, in his message lasting over seven minutes, said his month-long campaign across the state felt less like conventional politics and more like a deeply spiritual experience.

"Despite addressing so many rallies amid the scorching heat, I did not feel even the slightest fatigue during this election campaign in West Bengal. These rallies, these road shows... I felt as if I was on a pilgrimage," he said.

He attributed his energy to the devotion of the people and the blessings of Goddess Kali.

"Whenever I went among the devotees of Maa Kali... Perhaps Maa Kali herself kept filling me with continuous energy," he said. Drawing a comparison with an earlier spiritual experience ahead of the Ram temple consecration in Ayodhya, Modi said he felt a similar sense of divine strength during the campaign. "Before the 'pran pratishtha' of Ram Lalla in Ayodhya, I had observed an 11-day ritual with deep devotion and had undertaken a fast. I feel that during that time, Lord Shri Ram filled me with boundless energy," he said.

"In this election too, I experienced the same feeling—like the one you get while having darshan at a temple. Seeing the people, who are like manifestations of God, infused me with renewed energy," he added.

Expressing gratitude to the people of Bengal, Modi said he had concluded campaigning for the final phase.

Observers noted that the BJP's messaging appeared aimed at consolidating Hindu voters in south Bengal districts, traditionally considered a stronghold of the ruling TMC.

Earlier in the day, addressing a rally at Barrackpore in North 24 Parganas district, Modi launched a sharp attack on the TMC government, accusing it of presiding over "syndicate raj", political violence, and economic decline.

PM Narendra Modi during the Vijay Sankalp rally at Barrackpore in Bengal | PTI

Blessings of Goddess Kali, devotion of people

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POLL WALL ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS

TMC MP says attacked, BJP calls it 'drama'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

A TMC MP was allegedly attacked in West Bengal's Hooghly district on Monday, the last day of campaigning. The MP from Arambagh Mitali Bag, alleged that BJP's 'goons' vandalised her car at Goghat in Hooghly district when she was going to attend a rally of party general secretary Abhishek Banerjee. The BJP, however, rejected the charge and claimed that Bag was staging a "drama" and that TMC workers had actually attacked BJP supporters.

An Election Commission official said a report has been sought on the alleged incident, and that central forces were camping at the spot.

In a Facebook Live video, Bag alleged that her vehicle was attacked near the BJP candidate's election office. "When my vehicle was passing by the election office of BJP candidate Prashanta Digar, BJP-backed miscreants threw stones at our vehicle, smashing its windshield," she said. Abhishek Banerjee later visited Bag at the hospital and accused BJP of "medieval barbarism."

An official from the CEO's office said, "We have sought CCTV footage."

Will be back as CM for 4th straight term: Didi

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

CHIEF Minister and Trinamool Congress supremo Mamata Banerjee on Monday said that she was confident of returning to power for a fourth consecutive term since 2011.

She participated in a roadshow in South Kolkata on the final day of campaigning for the second and last phase of polls. The roadshow began at Sulekha Crossing in Jadavpur and concluded at Gopalnagar intersection, covering a distance of around 6 km. She was accompanied by several Trinamool Congress leaders, including outgoing ministers Firhad Hakim and Zaved Khan, MLA Debashis Kumar, and others.

She has covered the 142 assembly constituencies spread across seven electoral districts. These include 11 key seats in Kolkata, such as Bhabanipur, where she is contesting against BJP's Suvendu Adhikari. Other constituencies include Chowringhee, Ballygunge, Rashbehari, Kasba, Kolkata Port, Entally, Shyampukur, Jorasanko and Cossipore-Belgachhia.

During the roadshow, the TMC chief greeted supporters and flashed victory signs. "Don't get influenced by what the BJP ie saying. After the first phase elections in 152 seats in 16 districts, the BJP has realised that we are coming back to power in Bengal for a fourth term with an overwhelming majority," the CM said. Banerjee also urged voters to visit booths early in the morning and exercise their franchise.

Banerjee and her nephew Abhishek Banerjee, the party's national general secretary and MP from Diamond Harbour, have addressed more than 100 rallies across the state over the past one and a half months, campaigning for candidates contesting in 291 seats.

Following the first phase of polling held on April 23, Banerjee claimed that the party had already reached the "doorstep of victory" in the elections.

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Ajit Pawar, and family, still rule the roost

Hard lobbying has started to nominate NCP leader late Ajit Pawar's younger son Jay Pawar for the biennial election of the legislative council. The election for the 10 MLC seats has been announced, of which the NCP will get one. There is a demand that for that lone seat junior Pawar should be considered, as he is capable of leading the party in the state council and can be the party's youth face in the state. Earlier, his elder brother Parth Pawar was elected to the Rajya Sabha, and his mother Sunetra Pawar is the deputy chief minister of Maharashtra. If a decision is made, it will be put the entire family in command of politics.

Shelar dropped from Padma Award panel

Senior BJP minister Ashish Shelar has been dropped from the Padma Award committee protocol minister Jaykumar Rawal heads. As per tradition, the cultural minister is part of this Padma Award committee, but surprisingly, the head of the panel has dropped the cultural minister, Shelar, who is also way more senior to Rawal. It is being interpreted as a big and powerful message that is talked about in the political circle. The Padma Award committee's job is to recommend the names of eminent cultural and influential figures from the state for conferment of various civilian awards that are granted by the Central government.

Senior journalist to be in charge of state media

Maharashtra BJP president Ravindra Chavan has named another senior journalist, Govind Yetayekar, to be in charge of the state media. Govind earlier worked in various capacities, from the print media Sakal newspaper to the electronic Zed 24 Taas Marathi, and in 2014, the BJP government appointed him as media advisor to the erstwhile education minister Vinod Tawade, who is currently the BJP national general secretary and in charge of Bihar BJP. Before Govind, another ABP Majha journalist, Navnath Bang, was the BJP state media in-charge. Bang was recently elected as a BMC corporator, so in his place, another journalist has been appointed.

Seminary in J&K declared 'unlawful entity'

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

IN a first, Jammu and Kashmir government has declared Darul Uloom Jamia Siraj-ul-Uloom, a prominent seminary in south Kashmir's Shopian district, an "unlawful entity" under the UAPA over alleged links with the banned Jamaat-e-Islami and other irregularities.

The order was issued by Divisional Commissioner Kashmir Anshul Garg under Section 8(1) of the UAPA, 1967. The notification designates the seminary, located in Imam Sahib area of Shopian as an "unlawful entity/place" under UAPA 1976.

The institution currently has 814 enrolled students and a staff strength of 102. It is affiliated with the Kashmir Schools Federation and has recognition from both the J&K Board of School Education and the University of Kashmir.

However, Darul Uloom chairman Mohammad Shafi said Darul Uloom has no link with banned JeI and operates as a non-governmental organisation. The move has triggered sharp reactions. "Declaring Dar Ul Uloom as an unlawful entity under UAPA is a flagrant injustice to the underprivileged sections of society," former CM Mehbooba Mufti said.

Day before counting of local body poll, farmer face exits AAP in Gujarat

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

THE Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) suffered a major setback on the eve of local body election counting in Gujarat after state vice-president Sagar Rabari resigned from all party posts.

Rabari, considered a key grassroots leader and prominent farmer face, announced his exit through a social media post. He said he was ending his journey with the party and thanked colleagues for their support, adding that personal relationships would continue.

His resignation comes just a day after voting concluded, making the timing politically significant. Party sources said Rabari handled crucial responsibilities during the campaign, including candidate coordination and booth-level management.

Known for his strong connection with farmers and rural workers, Rabari built his identity through long involvement in agitations on agricultural distress and land issues. His exit has triggered fresh discussion over AAP's internal dynamics ahead of counting.

AAP state organisation general secretary Manoj Sorathia said Rabari was a "sincere and honest colleague" who had earlier indicated his desire to reduce responsibilities due to involvement in social work and other activities. Sorathia also kept doors open for future cooperation. He said, "We are confident that whenever needed, he will continue to guide the Aam Aadmi Party. We wish him a bright and golden future."

Interestingly, Rabari had only recently criticised the BJP, accusing it of trying to influence voters and claiming that support for the AAP was rising.

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Manoj Sorathia, AAP general secretary

After uproar, Maha U-turn on Marathi must for taxis likely

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

MAHARASHTRA transport minister Pratap Sarnaik held a meeting with various auto and taxi driver unions on Monday on the issue of making Marathi speaking mandatory for drivers. Sources say he is likely to make a U-turn over the decision that is scheduled to come into force on May 1.

After the meeting, Sarnaik, who is a Shiv Sena MLA, said that the unions have sought more time to learn Marathi and demanded that the inability to speak the language not be linked to the cancellation of the drivers' licenses. He added that there was unanimity among all public transport drivers that Marathi be adopted fully.

He said, "Some unions have sought three to six months to gain proficiency in the language, while others have asked for one year's relaxation. However, we are firm on our decision. We will hold another meeting with the unions, in which we will take the decisions of giving extensions." He added that a final call will be made after a review meeting with senior transport department officials on Tuesday.

'Concerns of auto and taxi drivers addressed'

Shiv Sena leader Sanjay Nirupam, who also attended the meeting with unions, said that concerns of auto and taxi drivers were addressed. "We have resolved the concerns of Mumbai's auto-rickshaw and taxi drivers. No permit will be cancelled. However, they will be required to cooperate with the provisions regarding the learning of Marathi."

The auto and taxi unions had threatened a statewide agitation from May 4 if the Marathi-speaking mandate was not withdrawn. On the other hand, the MNS and the Shiv Sena (UBT) had warned the government against withdrawing the decision.

Shiv Sena leader Sanjay Nirupam, who also attended the meeting with unions, said that the concerns of auto and taxi drivers were addressed in the meeting. "We have resolved the concerns of Mumbai's auto-rickshaw and taxi drivers. No permit will be cancelled. However, in the coming days, they will be required to cooperate with the provisions the government introduces regarding the learning of Marathi." He said that conversational Marathi would be made essential, but drivers may not be expected to learn to write it.

Nirupam added that this decision should also be implemented in corporate offices as well.

Nirupam's party Shiv Sena is part of the government which took the decision to enforce the knowledge of Marathi for the drivers, but he has often invited opposition, sometimes even violence, from the MNS and other pro-Marathi groups for supporting the cause of non-Marathi-speaking auto and taxi drivers.

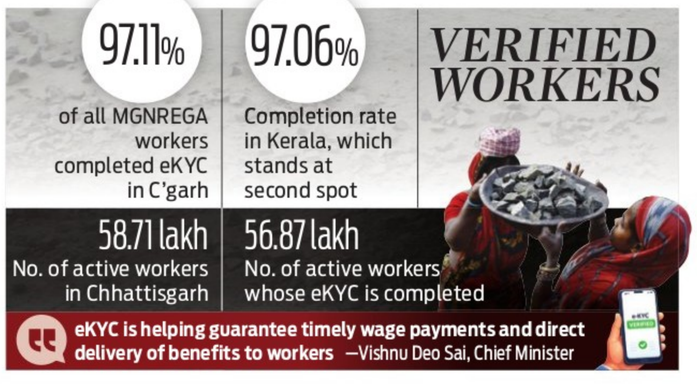
C'garh leads in MGNREGA e-KYC completion

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

CHHATTISGARH has secured the first position in India for the e-KYC (Electronic Know Your Customer) verification of workers under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), boosting digital governance and rural transparency.

According to the latest data released by the Centre on Monday, the state achieved a staggering 97.11% completion rate for active workers. This performance outshone industrial giants like Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra and Karnataka, as well as high-literacy states such as Kerala, which ranked second with 97.06%.

Under MNREGA, Chhattisgarh successfully completed digital verification (e-KYC) for more than 56.87 lakh workers, a major step toward ensuring transparency in wage payments. The digital process helps eliminate fake job cards and ensures wages are transferred directly into the bank accounts of genuine beneficiaries.


97.11%
of all MGNREGA workers completed eKYC in C'garh
97.06%
Completion rate in Kerala, which stands at second spot
VERIFIED WORKERS
58.71 lakh
No. of active workers in Chhattisgarh
56.87 lakh
No. of active workers whose eKYC is completed
eKYC is helping guarantee timely wage payments and direct delivery of benefits to workers —Vishnu Deo Sai, Chief Minister

The achievement is seen as a result of effective monitoring, strategic planning and leadership by the present regime in the state. Through a planned statewide campaign, the e-KYC process was expedited, enabling a large number of workers to link to the system within stipulated timelines, a government spokesperson said.

"The state government remains committed to safeguarding the interests of poor and labouring communities and ensuring they receive the transparent benefits of welfare schemes. e-KYC is helping guarantee timely wage payments and direct delivery of benefits to workers," said Vishnu Deo Sai, CM.

"The achievement is the outcome of coordinated efforts by officials, employees and teams working at the village level. e-KYC has not only helped curb fake attendance in muster rolls but has also brought greater transparency in ensuring benefits reach genuine beneficiaries," claimed Vijay Sharma, Dy CM and Panchayat & Rural Development Minister.

The state instructed that pending cases be completed at the earliest for achieving 100% e-KYC coverage. Officials said the achievement resulted from special campaigns undertaken across the state.

By linking job cards with digital identities, the state claimed it has effectively moved to eliminate "ghost workers" and fake job cards. The e-KYC ensures that wages are deposited directly into the bank accounts of genuine beneficiaries while attempting to empower rural citizens through digital inclusion in social welfare schemes.

The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, known as MNREGA, was replaced by Parliament with the new Viksit Bharat-Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin).

J'khand HC raps state government over poor coal mine safety standards

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

HEARING a PIL on its own motion over the worsening safety and health conditions in coal mines, the Jharkhand High Court on Monday pulled up the state government and directed the Chief Inspector of Factories to appear in person at the next hearing.

A division bench of Justices Sujit Narayan Prasad and Sanjay Prasad initiated the proceedings following Supreme Court mandates to prioritise the right to life for mine workers, signalling that judicial patience has worn thin over administrative negligence.

On Monday, the state government also submitted a review report with details of the inspections of major coal mines and factories, along with an evaluation of their adherence to prescribed safety standards.

However, the court expressed strong dissatisfaction with the findings. It observed a significant gap between the safety standards reported on paper and the actual conditions on the ground. Consequently, the court demanded specific details on the concrete steps the administration has taken to protect workers during hazardous operations and to safeguard their long-term health.

Detailed roadmap sought

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"The court was not satisfied with the report submitted by the state government on coal mine safety standards and hence has directed the Chief Inspector of Factories to appear in person at the next hearing," said Advocate Manish Tewary, who appeared on behalf of the state government.

Acting upon SC's directive, the HC took suo motu cognisance of the issue and commenced hearings.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client Sri Kumaraswamy.A S/o Anjinappa and Smt Indumathi.M W/o Kumaraswamy.A is negotiating to purchase the residential property bearing **Site No.1454, PID No:6000087900,** measuring **East to West 12 meter, North to South 18 meter,** in all measuring **216 meter,** layout formed by Bengaluru Development Authority at Survey No.59 of Kodigehalli Village, Situated at **1st Block, H Sector, Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout, Bengaluru,** which is more fully described in the Schedule hereunder, from its present owner **Smt Megha R Netalkar W/o Rajendra S Netalkar,** r/at No.234, 45th Cross, 8th Block, Jayanagara, Bengaluru South, BSK II Stage, Bengaluru-560070.

It is claimed that **Smt Megha R Netalkar W/o Rajendra S Netalkar** is the absolute owner of the Schedule Property and the same was acquired by her under a registered sale deed vide document bearing **No.BDA-1-03955/2025-26, Book-I, dated:03.02.2026,** registered in the office of the Additional District Registrar, Bengaluru, from Bengaluru Development Authority, she represent that no encumbrance of any nature, statutory or otherwise subsists in respect of Schedule Property.

This is to give notice to the public that any person who claims any right, title or interest of any nature in or any lien, charge or enforceable right in relation to Schedule Property and/or has any objections of any nature to the proposed transaction or is in possession or claims any right there under, should lodge such claim and/or objections, in writing, with the undersigned together with supporting documents within **TEN DAYS** from date of this publication, failing which, it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist and our client would proceed to complete the transaction, subject to clear title and compliance with other statutory formalities.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the residential property bearing **Site No.1454, PID No:6000087900,** measuring **East to West 12 meter, North to South 18 meter,** in all measuring **216 meter,** layout formed by Bengaluru Development Authority at Survey No.59 of Kodigehalli Village, Situated at **1st Block, H Sector, Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout, Bengaluru** and bounded on the:-

East by : Site No.1453, West by : Site No.1453, North by : Site No.1457 and 1456, South by : Road

From : **Venkatesha .D, Advocate**
No.441, 2nd Cross, 3rd Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwaranagara, Bangalore.
Cell:9945208081, venkteshd@gmail.com

IN THE COURT OF II ADDL CITY CIVIL (CCH-17) AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU

LAC No. 121/2020

BETWEEN : 1. Nanjundaiah M S/o Rudraiah, Aged : Major, R/a: Chunchankuppe Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District - 562 130.

2. C.B. Gowramma, W/o Late. Sri. T.R. Rajashekaraiah, Aged about 75 years, R/a: No.592, 21st Main Road, 4th T-Block, Jayanagar, 3rd Block, Bengaluru-560 011.

Objector

3. Vanajakshamma T.R., W/o: H.C. Mruthyunjaya, Age Major, R/at: No.83, 2nd Floor, 1st Stage, 60 Feet Road, Mahaganapathi Nagar, West of Chord Road, Rajajinagar, Bangaluru-560044. **...CLAIMANTS**

And : SLAO, Karnataka Housing Board, K.G. Road, Bengaluru-560001. **...DEFENDANT**

NOTICE / SUMMONS TO THE Claimant NO.1 AND 2 UNDER ORDER V RULE 20(1-A) OF CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE

1. Nanjundaiah M S/o Rudraiah, Aged : Major, R/a: Chunchankuppe Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District - 562 130.

2. C.B. Gowramma, W/o Late. Sri. T.R. Rajashekaraiah, Aged about 75 years, R/a: No.592, 1st Main Road, 4th T-Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011.

Whereas the above named respondent has made a reference before this Court u/s 77(1) of RFCTLA Act, 2013 in respect of Sy.No. 25/5D measuring 0-16.08 Guntas of land situated at Chunchanakuppe Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru District vide Declaration No. RD:204:Bhu.Swa.Be:2012 dated 27.11.2012. Awarded amount has been deposited before the Court. You the Claimant No.1 and 2 are hereby summoned to appear in this court in person or through a pleader **on the day of 15.06.2026 at 11 'O clock** in the forenoon to answer the claim and you are directed to produce on the day all the documents upon which you intended to rely in support of your defence.

Take Notice that in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the case will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this court this 18th day of April 2026.

By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bengaluru.

Advocate Address:
G.M. Chandrashekar, Advocate, High Court, #1/1-10, 1st Floor, Radhakrishna Complex, Opp. SJR Public School, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru - 560010.

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU

P & Sc. No. 179 /2026 (CCH-40)

BETWEEN:

1. Mr. Mahendra A, S/o Ashwath Narayana Reddy, Aged about 35 years, R/at Valepura, Varthur Post, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560087.

2. Sri. Karthik A, S/o Ashwath Narayana Reddy, Aged about 35 years, R/at Valepura, Varthur Post, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560087 **...Petitioners**

And: -Nil- ...Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioner above named filed the above petition for Probate to be granted in favour of the petitioner with respect to schedule and grant such other relief/s, The Petitioner No.1 is being elder brother of late Mrs. Premamma Who was died on 13/08/2025 and the Petitioner No.2 is also elder brother's son. of late Mrs. Premamma

Take notice that if any interested person in respect of above said Property is hereby called upon to appear before this Hon'ble court either personally or through an Advocate duly instructed on this the day of **06/06/2026 at 11.00 AM** otherwise the matter will be heard and decided ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court, this 23rd day of April 2026.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Item. No.1: Bangalore East. Taluk, Varthur Hobli, Varthur Village, Old Survey No. 64, out of the entire land in the current Reserve No. 64/1, 0-03.08.00 (three and a half gunti) gunte and out of the entire land in Survey No. 65 of Ditto Village, 0-01.08.00 (one and a half gunti) gunte, a total of five items including 0-05.00.00 (five gunti) gunte land, a total of 5446 square feet of land, which is accounted as number 727 according to the current BBMP account, and out of this site, a R.C.C. Roofed house built on 3600 square feet, including a fixed structure, is hereby declared

East: Among these survey numbers, the land belonging to T. Krishna Reddy alias Ganesh, West: The remaining land within the same survey numbers, North: The Varthur-Mutthandra main road, South: The remaining land among these survey numbers.

The site measuring 0-05.00.00 (five guntes) guntes or 5446 square feet in the meantime and a house with R.C.C. roof built on 3600 square feet of this site is an immovable property item One.

Item No.2: The land Sy No.49/1, measuring to an extent of 0-32-00- 00 Guntas Kuski situated at Sorahunase Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, bounded on as follows:

East: Krishna Reddy's land, Obanna's, West: Land of Anjinappa Reddy and Rajappa Reddy, North: The land of Venkataswamy Reddy, Thotanna of Walepur, South: Obanna's land belonging to Sampangi Reddy,

Item No.3: The land Survey No. 49/1, measuring to an extent of 0-32.00.00 situated at Sorahunase Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, and bounded on as follows;

East: This is the land that belongs to me, Premamma, among the survey numbers, West: Anjinappa Reddy's land, North: Ashwathanarayana Reddy's land, South: The land belongs to me, my beloved mother,

Item No.4: For 0-31.00.00 (thirty-one) gunte of the entire land situated at Survey No. 49/1, Sorahunasi Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and bounded on

East: Among these survey numbers, the land that belongs to Premamma, West: Anjanappa Reddy's land, North: The land belongs to Premamma, South: Land belongs to S.C. Devaraj's land.

Item No.5: Out of the entire land situated in Survey No. 6/1 of Thimmandahalli Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, 03-21,00.00 (three acres and twenty-one guntes) guntes were allotted to Khushi Farm- to the East: Harohalli Village boundary, to the West: Border of Ajjagondanahalli Village, to the North: Bhairappa's land, to the South: Chandrappa's land, In the meantime 03-21.00.00 (Three Acres Twenty One Gunta) Gunte Khushi Land Item Five

Item No.6: Bengaluru East Taluk, Varthur Hobli, formerly included in the limits of Varthur Gram Panchayat and currently belonging to the 149th ward of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Varthur Village Gram Thana, out of the property No. 64 and 65, V.P. Khata No. 723/2 and 750/2, out of the current BBMP Khata No. 723/2-750/2, measuring 89.9 X 28.0 inches, East West: 51.0 feet, North South: 1.5 feet, total 76.5 sq. ft. The property is attached to the property measuring-

East: Property of Kunta Narayanappa of Ajjagondanahalli, West: My remaining property from this property, North: property belonging to me, South; property belonging to me, In between, East West: 51.0 feet, North South: 1.5 feet, total 76.5 square feet measuring property item six, thus a total of six items of property are included in this will:-

Advocate for Petitioner:
Prashanth.S

By Order of the Court
***Sd/-* Senior Sheristedar**
City Civil Court, Bengaluru

BENGALURU SOUTH CITY CORPORATION

Office of the Executive Engineer, Jayangara Division, No. 44, 18th Main Road, 39th Cross, Jayanagara 4th T Block, Bengaluru–560041

No.: EE/BSCC/JN/TEND/01/2026-27 Date: 27.04.2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Jayanagar Division, BSCC invites tenders from eligible contractors registered in Greater Bengaluru Authority (Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike) or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES or any State Government Organizations for the Construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Establishment of temporary mansoon control room in Bayrasandra Sub division (Ward No. 7 & 8 - each Ward 2.50 Lakhs). **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakh): 5.00, EMD Rs.: 12,500/-, Reservation: Others.**
2	Establishment of temporary mansoon control room in NAL Layout Sub division (Ward No. 9 & 10 - each Ward 2.50 Lakhs). **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakh): 5.00, EMD Rs.: 6,250/-, Reservation: ST.**
3	Establishment of temporary mansoon control room in Jayanagara Sub division (Ward No. 11 & 12 - each Ward 2.50 Lakhs). **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakh): 5.00, EMD Rs.: 6,250/-, Reservation: SC.**
4	Establishment of temporary mansoon control room in JP Nagara Sub division (Ward No. 13 & 14 - each Ward 2.50 Lakhs). **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakh): 5.00, EMD Rs.: 12,500/-, Reservation: Others.**
5	Establishment of temporary mansoon control room in Sarakki Sub division (Ward No. 15 & 16 - each Ward 2.50 Lakhs). **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakh): 5.00, EMD Rs.: 6,250/-, Reservation: CAT-I.**

Calendar of Events: (1) The tender document can be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal of the Government of Karnataka from: **29.04.2026. (2)** Last date and time for uploding tenders in e portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in on **08.05.2026 at 4:00 p.m. (3)** Date and Time of opening bids on the e-Portal on **11.05.2026 at 4:05 p.m.** Further details may be obtained from the above office, during office hours or website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Jayanagara Division, BSCC

KARNATAKA STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY (KSOU)

Mukthagangothri, Mysuru - 570006.

No: KSOU/Dean (AC) /CW-07/Ph.D./8390/Sub File-4/2025-26 Date: 27.04.2026

NOTIFICATION

Admission to Ph.D. Programme 2025-26 (Regular Mode)

Ref: (1). UGC Public Notice F:No.2-1/2017(DEB-III) Dated 14.09.2018. **(2)** KSOU Degree of Doctor of Philosophy Ordinance 2012 (4th Amendment 2023). **(3)** Approval of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dated: 04.04.2026.

Applications are invited in the prescribed format from eligible candidates for admission to the Part / Full time Ph.D. Programme in the following Department of Studies and Research.

● Kannada ● English ● Hindi ● Telugu ● Sociology ● Economics ● Political Science ● Commerce ● Management ● Chemistry ● Geography ● Environmental Science ● Information Technology

Common Entrance Test (CET) ● Eligible Candidates shall appear for Common Entrance Test (CET) ● Candidates who have qualified **UGC/UGC-CSIR, JRF Test/NET/GATE/GRE/M.Phil** shall be exempted from appearing to CET; however they shall appear for interview/viva voice.

Centre for Common Entrance Test (CET): Karnataka State Open University, Mukthagangothri Campus Mysore only.

Payment of Fee: Download application available in KSOU website along with online payment of Rs.2000/- (Rs.1000 for SC/ST/Cat-1) towards application processing fee through KSOU admission portal. Duly filled application should be submitted along with the attested documents either in person or by post to;

The Chairperson, Department of Studies and Research in…………, Mukthagangothri, Mysuru - 570006.

IMPORTANT DATES

Details	Date
Ph.D. Application available in the website date	28.04.2026
Last date for submitting Application without penal fee	15.05.2026
Last date for submitting Application with penal fee of Rs.500/-	21.05.2026
Common Entrance Test date	07.06.2026
CET Results Declaration date	15.06.2026
Announcement of selection list	22.06.2026
Counselling for Supervisor Allotment	29.06.2026

Visit KSOU official website **www.ksoumysuru.ac.in** for more details including Ph.D. Prospectus, Application fee structure, seat matrix, syllabus, question paper pattern, eligibility details of the CET and other information.

Sd/- Registrar

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client **Smt.Jayashree R W/o Sri Vishwanath B S** residing at No.68, 4th Floor, 12th Cross, Gangamma Layout, Ashok Nagar, Bangalore 560050 is intending to purchase the residential Apartment/flat constructed on Schedule 'A' Property more fully described in Schedule 'B' and 'C' Property appended below from Sri K Gopal, S/o late P Krishnappa, residing at No.68, 12 th Cross, near Gangamma Temple, Ashok Nagar, Vidya Peeta Circle, Bangalore-560050. Anyone having any claim, objection or any right in the said Property may contact the undersigned along with the documents relied upon, within 15 days from the date of this publication, failing which it will be presumed that no one has any claim over the same.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the residential immovable property bearing BBMP Khata No.68 (old No.58), PID No.51-61-68 admeasuring East to West:(57+53)/2 feet and North to South: 42 feet in all admeasuring 2310 square feet, situated at Gangamma Temple Extension formed in Survey No.19 of Sunkenahalli Village, now known as Ashoknagar BSK-1" Stage, Bangalore - 560 050 presently within the jurisdiction of Bangalore West City Corporation, and has been assigned as E PID No.1289164485, Ward No.51 and bounded on the: East By: Road, West By: Sremathy Property, North By : Road and, Sounth By : Choudry Property

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 385 square feet of undivided share right title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property mentioned hereinabove.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the residential Apartment/Flat having E-PID No.1289164485, bearing No.G2 on the ground floor of the residential building constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property, admeasuring 1112 square feet of super built-up area consisting of two bedrooms, one hall, kitchen and puja room together with common areas and facilities attributable thereto along with one covered car parking in Basement floor. The said Apartment/Flat bearing No.G2 has R.C.C Structure with Ceramic Tiles flooring and bounded on the:

Name and Address of Counsel:K.S.RAGHAVENDRA
M/s. LAW ASSOCIATES, Advocates,
No.40/2, 1st Floor, 2nd CrossAchaiah Setty Layout,
RMV Extension, Near Mekhri Circle, Bangalore 560080
Phone No. 23613681,

IN THE COURT OF THE 57th ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE

P & SC No. 25001/2026 (CCH-58)

KOKILA S, W/o S. Saravanan, Aged about 47 years, R/a No. D4, Paviathra Paradise, 6th 'F' Cross, 6th Main, CV Raman Nagar, Bangalore-560093. **...Petitioner**

AND : NIL ...Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the Petitioner above named have filed the above petition under order 9, section 276 of the Indian Succession Act of 1925, seeking for an order to grant of probate in the terms of WILL dated 19/07/2019 of late Sivanandan and to sell negotiate and / for the deal with the same as shown in the schedule hereto without any impediment.

Interested parties are hereby warned to appear in court in person or by the pleader duly instructed **on the 08th day of June 2026 at 11.00 AM** to show cause against the petitioner, if any, failing which, the court shall proceed further in the matter and placed exparte.

SUIT SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.52, forming a portion of Sy.No. 97/2, situated at Telegraph Street, Venkateshpuram II Division, Kadugondana Halli, Bangalore-560045, now Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West: 26 ½ feet and North to South: 30 feet, and bounded on East by: Site No.53, West by: Site No.51 Munirathnam Property, North by: Sri C. Saravanan Property and South by: Road.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 17.04.2026.

By order of the Court, Deputy Registrar, City Civil Court, Mayo Hall Unit, Bengaluru.
Mrs. Mary P S, Advocate
No.34, G. Muniyappa Garden, PSK Naidu Road, Cox Town, Bengaluru-560005.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
U.R. RAO SATELLITE CENTRE
CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP
HAL Airport Road, Bengaluru - 560 017. (Phone: 080 25084184, 4156)

BRIEF E-TENDER NOTICE

Sl. No	Description	Details		
1	Name of work	Providing Basket Ball & Lawn Tennis Courts in Golden Jubilee Complex at ISITE Campus, URSC, Marathahalli, Bengaluru-37	Improvement of Compound Wall and Provision of Water Taps at DOS/ISRO Housing Colony, Jeevan Bhima Nagar, Bengaluru	Contract for Hiring of Shamiyana and other Allied Items for Main Campus, URSC, Vimanapura and ISITE Campus, Marathahalli, Bengaluru
2	E-Tender Notice No.	URSC/C&MG/C/M/08/2026-27, Dt.24/04/2026	URSC/C&MG/C/M/09/2026-27, Dt.27/04/2026	URSC/C&MG/C/M/10/2026-27, Dt.27/04/2026
3	Estimated cost put to Tender	₹ 24.02 Lakhs	₹ 23.05 Lakhs	₹ 12.37 Lakhs
4	Period of completion	Two Months	Eight Months	Twelve Months
5	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**₹ 48,040/- valid for 180 days**	**₹ 46,100/- valid for 180 days**	**₹ 24,740/- valid for 180 days**

Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details along with Hindi version in website: **www.isro.gov.in** and download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**.

Sd/-
Group Director, C&MG, URSC

बैंक ऑफ महाराष्ट्र
Bank of Maharashtra
भारत सरकार का उद्यम

Bank of Maharashtra, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru
No. 465/A, 22nd Cross, 3rd Block, Opp.: NMKRV College for Women, Jayanagar, Bengaluru - 560011, Tele : 080-4656 1236, E-mail : brmgr1934@bankofmaharashtra.bank.in
Head Office : Lokmangal, 1501,Shivajinagar, Pune - 5.

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties (Appendix IV-A)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/s & Guarantor/s that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to **Bank of Maharashtra**, the Possession of which have been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Maharashtra, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 14.05.2026,** for recovery of the balance due to the Bank of Maharashtra from the Borrower(s) as mentioned in the table. Details of Borrower/s & Guarantor/s, amount due, Short description of the immovable property and encumbrances known thereon, possession type, reserve price and the earnest money deposit are also given as under –

Sr. No.	Name and address of Borrower/s & Guarantor/s	Short description of immovable property	O/S Dues as on 23-04-2026 / Possession Type / Encumbrances	Reserve Price / EMD / Bid incremental Amount
1.	**Asset Recovery Branch (Mobile : 9594544454)** Borrower/s : **M/s. Jaiver Natural Agri Tex Pvt. Ltd.,** 224-SE, 27th Main, 7th Cross, Nisarga Layout, Bukkasagara, Jigani, Bangalore - 560 105. Guarantor/s : **Mr. Nagaraju K & Mrs. Divya Nagaraju Both residing at** 224-SE, 27th Main, 7th Cross, Nisarga Layout, Bukkasagara, Jigani, Bangalore - 560 105	All that piece and parcel of Residential Building bearing No.154, Gramatana Khata No. 120/57/5, Survey No. 57/5, Admeasuring Area 1089 Sq.Ft. along with Residential One Storied Building, Consisting of One Bed Room, One Hall, One Kitchen and One Toilet Total Built-up Area 690 Sq.Ft. Lying and Situated at Village Jigani, behind Nityanand School, Off Jigani Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Pin - 560 105.	**Rs. 11,85,32,682.00 Plus All Costs, Penalty, Charges and Expenses or Other Incidental Charges thereof.** Symbolic NIL	**Rs. 26.92 Lakh** 10 % of Reserve Price Rs. 25,000/-
		All that piece and parcel of Industrial Land bearing Survey No. 26/1, Admeasuring Area 1 Acre (43,560 sq. ft.) Lying and Situated at Vaderamanchenahalli, Jigani Hobli, Jigani - 560 105.	Symbolic NIL	**Rs. 470.45 Lakh** 10 % of Reserve Price Rs. 50,000/-
2.	**Asset Recovery Branch (Mobile : 9594544454)** Borrower/s : **Mr. Vishal Srinivasan, S/o. V. Shridhar,** No. 8, 1st Floor, 6th Main, Victoria Layout, Bangalore - 560 047. Guarantor/s : **Mr. Deepak Samasi S/o. David Samasi,** No. 14/9, 3rd Main Road, St. Thomas Town Post, Kammanahalli, Bangalore - 560 047.	All the Piece and parcel of 2 BHK Residential Flat bearing No. 2C on 2nd Floor Admeasuring Area 1133 Sq.Ft. in the Building known as "Y S Apartment" along with One Car Parking along with 400 Sq.Ft. undivided share of Land right, title and interest in property Constructed on the land bearing No.s. 4, 5, 6, 3 and 3A formed in Sy.No. 6/2 Lying and Situated at Guruddatta Layout, Hosakerehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru - 560 085.	**Rs. 91,70,519.00 Plus All Costs, Penalty, Charges and Expenses or Other Incidental Charges thereof.** Physical NIL	**Rs. 32.63 Lakh Lakh** 10 % of Reserve Price Rs. 25,000/-

◆ **Date of E-Auction & Time : 14-05-2026 between 11.00 am to 2.00 pm.**
◆ **Property Inspection Date & Time : 04-05-2026 to 08-05-2026 with prior appointment (Except Holidays).**
◆ **Last Date & Time for submission of Bid / EMD : 14-05-2026 upto 02.00 pm.**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Website of **Bank of Maharashtra i.e., "https://www.bankofmaharashtra.bank.in/properties for sale" & "https://baanknet.com".**

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The Borrower/s and Guarantor/s above named are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to dated interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date : 24-04-2026
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
Bank of Maharashtra, Asset Recovery Branch

GIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD.

Corporate Office / Head Office : GICHFL, National Insurance Building 6th Floor, 14, Jamshedji Tata Road, Churchgate, Mumbai – 400020. Tel No- 022-43041900.
EMAIL ID : corporate@gichf.com **Website :** www.gichfindia.com
Bengaluru Branch Office Address: Leo Shopping Complex, 6th Floor, # 44 & 45, Residency Road Cross, Bengaluru-560025.
Electronic City Branch Office Address: 96/1 Gobind tower, 2nd Floor, Hosure Main Road, Singasandra, Bengaluru - 560068. Email ID : bengaluru_hub@gichf.com
AUTHORISED OFFICER NAME : MR.G.RAJASEKAR - 9894601538 / 9740254699 / 8431115188

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-AUCTION DATE : 29-05-2026 / Last Date for Bid Submission : 27-05-2026.

WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of GIC Housing Finance Ltd. (GICHFL), under Securitization & Reconstructions of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Secusrity Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had issued Demand Notice to following Borrowers/Mortgagors calling upon them to repay the outstanding due amount mentioned in the said notices. However, The Borrower/Mortgagor having failed to repay the said due amount, the undersigned has taken **PHYSICAL POSSESSION** of the following property in exercise of powers conferred U/s 13(4) and U/s 14 of the said Act read with the Rule 8 of the said Rules.

Sr. No.	File No / Name Of Borrower / Co-Borrower / Branch Name	Property Address & Area Of Property Details(Built Up)	Demand notice issued date	Date of Physical Possession	Total Outstanding as on 22.04.2026 (Incl.POS, Interest and Other charges) (In Rupees)	Reserve Price (In Rupees)
1	**KA0670600000185 / ELECTRONIC CITY / MR. MAHANTHARAJA GOWDRA MAHADEVAPPA S/O MR. MAHADEVAPPA MALENAHALLI RUDRAPPA**	Flat No.T-3, 3Rd Floor, "Sri Sai Nivas" Apartment 2BHK Flat, Measuring 1045 Sq.Ft., Of Super Built Up Area And 359 Sq.Ft., Of Uds, Bbmp New Khatha No.22/1/359, Survey No.22/1, New/ Re Survey No.22/7, Ward No.192 Situated At Chikkathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.	16.04.2018	09.02.2023	11170407/-	4185225/-
2	**KA0670600000907 / ELECTRONIC CITY / MR. DHEERAJ KUMAR S/O MR. VIRENDER**	Flat No.TF-1, 3Rd Floor, "Wings-V" Apartment 2Bhk Flat, Measuring 1110 Sq.Ft., Of Super Built Up Area And 296 Sq.Ft., Of Uds, Site No.56, V.P. Khatha No.692, Ward No.184, Bbmp Khatha No.1126/56, Survey No.30/4 Situated At Gubbalala Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.	14.11.2022	15.11.2024	7823928/-	5396100/-
3	**KA0670600000312 / ELECTRONIC CITY / MR. BABLUBHAN MOURYA S/O MR. ARJUN MOURYA & MRS. NANDINEE MOURYA S/O MR. MOURYA VIRENDRA**	Flat No.T-509 (2BHK), 5Th Floor, Block 'B' " Elegant Embassy" Apartment With A Super Built Up Area Of 1269 Sq.Ft And Uds Of 282 Sq.Ft, With One Car Parking Area, Property Bearing Bbmp Khatha No.1854/639/115, Old No.115, Property Register No.1854, Residentially Converted Survey No.115/1, Old No.115 Situated At Uttarahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560061.	14.11.2022	30.07.2024	4803248/-	4768400/-
4	**KA0670600001148 / ELECTRONIC CITY / MRS. NEHA SAHI D/O MR. PRAMOD KUMAR SAHI**	Flat No.301 (TF-1) (2BHK) Third Floor, " Wings -II" Apartment With A Super Built Up Area Of 1200 Sq.Ft And Uds Of 312 Sq.Ft, With One Car Parking Area, Property Bearing Site No.52, Formed Out Of Sy No.354/3B1 And 354/3B2, Khatha No.662/A, Ward No.192 Present Bbmp Khatha No.2153/622A/52 Situated At Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560114.	14.11.2022	15.11.2024	6244900/-	4136400/-
5	**KA0020610003402 / BANGALORE / MR. AZAD NOORULAMEEN S/O MR. ABU MOHAMED**	Residential House Property Bearing No.2, BBMP Katha No.37/1/2, Old Katha No.37/1, Later CMC Katha No.37/1, Formed Out Of Survey No.37/3, Situated At Haralukunte Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore - 560068, Built On Site Measuring East To West 40 Feet, North To South 30 Feet, Totally Measuring 1200 Square Feet, Now Within The Limits Of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, And Bounded On The East By: Site No.3, West By: Road, North By: Site No.1 And South By:Passage.	08.01.2019	26.05.2023	17715242/-	10364000/-
6	**KA0020610002722 / BANGALORE / MR.SAMEERA JAYATHEERTHA S/O MR.BHEEMASENACHAR JAYATHEERTHA**	Present Khatha No.236/206/301-2,Old Khaneshumari No.301/2, Later No.186, Situated At Brahmins Street, Hosakote Town, Bangalore Rural District. Measuring East To West 10Ft 4 Inches And North T0 South 18 Feet 4 Inches And To The West Of This East To West 98 Feet 5 Inches And North To South 14 Feet, In All Totally Measuring 1560 Sq.Ft., Boundary For The Property Of A House And Vacant Land Built On 577.5 Square Feet Is East: Brahmin Street, West: Vitthalaya'S House, North: House Of H.V. Gopalacharya And H.V. Ranganathacharya And South: Bhimasenacharya'S House And Vacant Land, Currently A 2-Storey House With R.C.C. Roof Terrace Built On 577.5 Sq. Ft.	01.10.2018	23.07.2024	4561730/-	4712757/-

DATE OF E-AUCTION & TIME : 29.05.2026 at the Web-Portal (https://bankauctions.in) from 3.00 PM TO 04:00 PM. with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each.
Last date of submission of Tender/Sealed Bid in the prescribed tender form along with EMD & KYC either through online mode or at the above mentioned GICHF Office at 27.05.2026 before 5.00 PM.

Further to this **PUBLIC NOTICE** for E-Auction Sale of the above said Assets / properties (in terms and conditions of the SARFAESI, Act 2002 and rules thereunder) GICHFL invites **OFFERS EITHER** in sealed cover/s or in Online mode to purchase the said properties on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS".**

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF THE AUCTION SALE ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

1. **E-Auction** is being held on **'As is where is Basis', 'As is what is Basis', 'Whatever there is' And 'Without Any Recourse Basis',** and will be conducted **"Online".** The E-Auction will be conducted through GICHF approved Eauction service provider **"M/s.4 closure"**
2. **The intending bidders should register their names at portal https://bankauctions.in/ and get their user-id and password free of cost. Prospective bidders may avail online training on E-Auction from the service provider M/s. 4closure, # 605 A, 6th Floor Maitrivanam, Ameerpet, Hyderabad – 500038, Telangana. Office Land Line No: 040-23736405; Backend team : 8142000062 / 66, Mr.M. Dinesh - 8142000735/8142000809 Email : dinesh@bankauctions.in Contact Details: MR.G.RAJASEKAR - 9894601538 / 9740254699 / 8431115188**
3. The E-auction Sale is subject to the conditions prescribed in the SARFAESI Act/Rules 2002 and the terms and conditions mentioned hereunder/website also subject to conditions in the offer/ bid documents to be submitted by the intending/participating bidders.
4. Every bidder is required to have his/her own email address in order to participate in the online E-auction.
5. **Once Intending Bidder** formally registers as a qualified tenderer before authorized officer of GICHF, will have to express his/her interest to participate through the E-auction bidding platform, by submitting document. It shall be the tenderer's/online bidder's sole responsibility to procure his/her login ID and password from the E-auction service provider.
6. The aforesaid properties shall not be sold below the reserve price mentioned above.
7. Intending bidders are required to deposit Earnest Money Deposit/s (EMD) @ 10% of the abovesaid respective reserve prices, by way of DD/RTGS/NEFT favouring GIC Housing Finance Ltd. Bank details are as follows: **Bank Name: UNION BANK OF INDIA, A/c No: 005111010000039 - A/c Name: GIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD AUCTION A/C, Branch Name : LCB, FORT Address : UBI, 239 BACKBAY RECLAMATIO NARIMAN POINT MUMBAI MAHARASHTRA PINCODE 400021. IFSC Code - UBIN0800511.**
8. The said Deposit/s shall be adjusted in the case of successful bidder/s, otherwise refunded. The said earnest money deposit/s will not carry any interest.
9. The offer/s along with the aforesaid Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) can be submitted either "online" through the portal **https://bankauctions.in/** along with the EMD and scanned copy of KYC documents including PAN Card & address proof, to the service provider or through submitting sealed cover comprising bid form, EMD and KYC documents and it should reach the respective branch offices of GIC Housing Finance Ltd., mentioned above on or before EMD Submission due date.
10. That, after opening the tenders, the intending bidders who have submitted their bids for not less than the reserve price will be given an opportunity at the sole discretion of the Authorized Officer to increase the bidding amount.
11. The successful bidder/s shall deposit 25% of the amount of sale price, adjusting the EMD paid already, immediately on acceptance of offer by the Authorized officer in respect of the sale, failing which the earnest money deposited shall be forfeited. The balance 75% of the sale price is payable within 15 days from the date of confirmation of the sale solely at the discretion of the Authorized Officer. In case of failure to deposit the balance amount within the prescribed period, the amount deposited shall be forfeited. The Authorized Officer shall not be required to give any further notice of forfeiture to the successful bidder.
12. Bidders are bound by the principle of "caveat emptor" (Buyer Beware) and advised to conduct their own due diligence to find any encumbrances, statutory liabilities, arrears of property tax, Income Tax, Excise Duty, Labour Dues, electricity and maintenance dues etc., of the firm or Secured Asset. The Successful bidders shall have to bear all outgoing i.e., municipal taxes, maintenance/society charges, electricity charges, water charges, stamp duty, registration charges, (if applicable), if any and all other incidentals charges, cost including all outgoing relating to the respective properties other than the sale price...
13. The successful bidder should bear the charges/fees payable on sale certificate, such as registration fees, stamp duty, taxes, or any other duties payable for getting the secured asset transferred in his/her name.
14. The Sale Certificate will be issued only in the name of the successful bidder and only after receipt of the entire /sale price.
15. The notice is hereby given to the Borrower/s, Mortgagor/s and Guarantor/s that they can bring the intending buyer/purchaser for purchasing the properties mentioned above, as per the terms and Conditions of the EAuction Sale.
16. Inspection of the above said properties can be given on request and as per convenience of Authorized Officer.
17. The Authorized Officer is not bound to accept the highest offer or any or all offers and reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason thereof.
18. GICHFL is not responsible for any liability whatsoever pending upon the properties as mentioned above. The property shall be auctioned on **"As is where is", "As is what is", Whatever there is" and without any recourse basis.**
19. In case the borrowers'/mortgagor approaches GICHFL before confirmation of sale, offering contractual dues + expenses + interest @ 15 % from date of proclamation of sale + 5% of the purchase money (in case after sale which is to be paid to successful bidder) and requests for cancellation of the sale, GICHFL shall accept the amount and hand over the possession to mortgagor
20. The highest bidder has to pay 25% (inclusive of earnest money deposited) of the bid amount in terms of the sale notice immediately and the balance 75% of the bid amount is payable in 15 days or such other extended period as agreed upon between the parties (AO and the successful bidder). However, Authorized Office is to be confirmed sale certificate after expiry of 30 days from the date of sale and in no case the sale is to be confirmed before expiry of 30 days from the date of sale. Only after receipt of full payment, sale to be confirmed and the sale certificate to be issued.
21. **Minimum Bid increment value is Rs.10,000/-**

STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

For detailed terms and Conditions of the sale and full description of the properties please refer to the website of approved e-auction service provider M/s.4 closure and website https://bankauctions.in.

Date : 28.04.2026
Place : BANGALURU / ELECTRONIC CITY

For GIC Housing Finance Ltd.
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Authorised Officer

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Beijing	21	1	SNY	Los Angeles	20	12	SNY
Colombo	28	24	SNY	Melbourne	26	15	LC
Dhaka	31	19	SNY	Moscow	4	2	SNY
Dubai	26	21	SNY	New York	7	2	SNY
Houston	31	19	TDS	Singapore	28	25	TDS
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	1	-5	SNY
London	13	9	SNY	Washington	3	-2	SNY

Iran asserts strength, calls republic stable, solid

Says Russia has stood by Iran; both countries said they would continue their 'strategic partnership' going forward

SAINT PETERSBURG

IRAN's foreign minister on Monday said the Islamic republic was "stable, solid" during a meeting in Russia with President Vladimir Putin, according to Russian state TV.

Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi said due to the war with the United States and Israel, "the world has now realised Iran's true power" and "it has become clear that the Islamic republic of Iran is a stable, solid and powerful system", he said in the meeting in Saint Petersburg. He added that Russia had stood by Iran and the two countries would continue their "strategic partnership".

Russian President Vladimir Putin, right, shakes hands with Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi during their meeting at the Boris Yeltsin Presidential Library, in St Petersburg, Russia | AP

US blamed for talks failure

The top diplomat blamed Washington for the failure of West Asia peace, where President Vladimir Putin promised him Moscow's support in bringing the war to a close. Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi was in Saint Petersburg on the fourth leg of a whirlwind diplomatic tour, having sandwiched a trip to Oman in between two visits to main mediator Pakistan over the past few days.

Islamabad played host to the first and only round of unsuccessful talks between Washington and Tehran, and Araghchi's visit had fanned hopes for fresh negotiations over the weekend, until US President Donald Trump scrapped a planned trip by his envoys Steve Witkoff and Jared Kushner.

"The US approaches caused the previous round of negotiations, despite progress, to fail to reach its goals because of the excessive demands," Araghchi said Monday. After nixing his emissaries' trip, Trump told Fox News that if Iran wanted talks, "they can call us" — though he has said the cancellation does not signal a return to hostilities.

Putin vows Iran peace

Following his meeting with Araghchi, Putin voiced his commitment to the two countries' "strategic relationship." He told Iran's top diplomat that Moscow would do everything it could to help secure peace in the West Asia, during a meeting in Saint Petersburg on Monday. "For our part, we will do everything that serves your interests, the interests of all the people of the region, so that peace can be achieved as soon as possible," Russian state media quoted Putin as telling Araghchi. Putin also hailed "how courageously and heroically the people of Iran are fighting for their independence and sovereignty", the TASS news agency reported.

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"Russia, just like Iran, intends to continue our strategic relationship," the Kremlin chief added.

In a sign of ongoing back-channel diplomacy, Fars News Agency reported that Iran sent "written messages" to the US via Pakistan outlining red lines, including nuclear issues and the Strait of Hormuz, though not as part of formal negotiations. Separately, Axios, citing US and other sources, said Iran had proposed reopening the strait and ending a US naval blockade, with nuclear talks deferred to a later stage. *AFP*

Lebanon backs Israel talks; Hezbollah cries 'grave sin'

BEIRUT

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Monday said Hezbollah's rockets and drones were still a key threat demanding military action, as Israel's army expanded strikes on Lebanon despite a ceasefire.

Lebanese President Joseph Aoun on Monday said direct negotiations with Israel sought to end the Israel-Hezbollah war and that those who dragged Lebanon into it were the ones committing "treason" — a jab at the Iran-backed group, which claimed several attacks on Israeli targets in south Lebanon.

However, Hezbollah chief Naim Qassem called direct talks between the two countries a "sin", while Israeli Defence Minister Israel Katz warned the group's rejection of negotiations would bring catastrophic consequences for Lebanon. Lebanon and Israel's US ambassadors met twice in Washington in recent weeks, the first in decades, talks rejected by Hezbollah.

After the first talks, US President Donald Trump announced a 10-day ceasefire that began on April 17, announcing a three-week extension after the second round. Netanyahu said in a statement that "there are still two central threats from Hezbollah: the 122mm rockets and the drones. This demands a combination of operational and technological activity."

Israel's army on Monday announced strikes on the eastern Bekaa region and southern Lebanon targeting "Hezbollah infrastructure". Under the ceasefire, Israel reserves the right to act against "planned, imminent or ongoing attacks". *AFP*

NUCLEAR TREATY MEET AMID RISING FEARS

UNITED NATIONS: Signatories to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty met at the UN as fears of a renewed arms race grow. UN chief Antonio Guterres warned proliferation drivers are accelerating and trust is eroding. France and others flagged threats from Iran and North Korea, as a US-Iran clash erupted over Tehran's role at the meet, drawing objections from Western allies and sharp rebuttals from Iranian officials. Nine nuclear states hold over 12,000 warheads, led by the United States and Russia, while China expands its arsenal. Disputes over Ukraine, Iran and AI risks may hinder consensus at the four-week summit, where divisions have stalled past agreements and raised concerns about a possible new nuclear arms race, analysts warned.

Trump security tightened, events reviewed after attack

WASHINGTON

FEDERAL law enforcement officials are evaluating how to proceed with some high-profile public events featuring President Donald Trump after the attack at the White House Correspondents' Dinner.

The third violent assault in the vicinity of Trump in less than two years is renewing the central tension confronting the Republican president's defenders: how to accommodate the public-facing demands of the presidency while minimizing the risk of an attack.

Saturday's episode, in which a man armed with guns and knives tried to storm the Washington hotel ballroom where the president was set to address the White House Correspondents' Association, comes ahead of Trump's expected participation in a stretch of large, high-profile events indoors and outdoors in the months ahead. Among them, he's set to mark the nation's 250th anniversary, oversee the U.S. co-hosting the World Cup and lead rallies meant to galvanise support for Republicans ahead of November's midterm elections. White House chief of staff Susie Wiles will hold a meeting this week with officials from the White House operations team, the Secret Service and the Department of Homeland Security to discuss security protocol at events with the president, according to a senior White House official. The meeting will examine security steps that were successful on Saturday while "exploring additional options" for future events, said the official, who insisted on anonymity to confirm private discussions.

Separately, a person familiar with the matter said the U.S. Secret Service was already reevaluating its security footing for the upcoming events. The agency's posture was already elevated due to the extraordinary number of threats facing Trump — including two back-to-back assassination attempts in 2024 — and the realities of recent events such as the U.S.-Iran war. *AP*

Pope Leo XIV meets Archbishop Mullally, urges Christian unity

VATICAN CITY

Pope Leo XIV exchanging gifts with Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury, in The Vatican | AFP

Pope Leo XIV met on Monday with the first woman to lead the world's Anglican Christians, the newly enthroned Archbishop of Canterbury Sarah Mullally, urging unity to evangeliee more effectively. The papal audience at the Vatican was part of Mullally's first trip abroad since taking up her groundbreaking role last month as the first woman to hold the role of the Church of England's top cleric.

"While our suffering world greatly needs the peace of Christ, the divisions among Christians weakens our capacity to be effective bearers of that peace," Leo told Mullally and her delegation in an address published by the Vatican. "If the world is to take our preaching to heart, we must, therefore, be constant in our prayers and efforts to remove any stumbling blocks that hinder the proclamation of the Gospel," he said, adding that "unity for the sake of a more fruitful evangelization" had been a recurring theme throughout his ministry.

Leo cited progress between the two churches on "historically divisive issues" but said "new problems have arisen in recent decades," without specifying further. "Nevertheless, we must not allow these continuing challenges to prevent us from using every possible opportunity to proclaim Christ to the world together," said Leo, the 70-year-old leader of the world's 1.4 billion Catholics. Mullally, 63, is a former nurse who is married with two children.

In the 16th century, King Henry VIII broke with the Catholic Church, creating the Church of England. Relations improved over centuries, but new fractures emerged in 2016, especially over women's ordination — barred in the Catholic Church. Women have been bishops in the Church of England since 2014, though the issue remains divisive. *AFP*

IN THE COURT OF XII ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE, CCH-27, BENGALURU CITY, BENGALURU
ORIGINAL SUIT No. 6129/2022

BETWEEN : S. Lakshmi Narayana, S/o H. Shakunaiah, Age: about 65 years, residing at Old No.139, New No.30/1, 2nd Main Road, Opposite to Sunder Auto Mobiles, 3rd and 4th Intermittent Road, B.B.M.P. Ward No.46, Chamarajapete, BENGALURU - 560 018 & others ...PLAINTIFFS
AND : Smt. K.R. Swathi & Others ...DEFENDANTS

NOTICE TO PROPOSED DEFENDANTS Nos.04 TO 13 UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 [1-A] OF CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, 1908
P-D-4 : Smt. B.R. Malathi, W/o late B.S. Suryanarayana, Age: about 66years, residing at No.139, 2ND Main Road, Chamarajapete, BENGALURU -560 018.
P-D-5 : Smt. B.S. Sindhu, D/o late B.S. Suryanarayana, Age: about 42 years, residing at No.139, 2ND Main Road, Chamarajapete, BENGALURU - 560018.
P-D-6 : Sri B.S. Nagaraja, S/o late Sri S. Shanboughe .S. Subramanya, Age: Major, residing at No.485, 1ST Cross, Chavadi Street, Old Agrahara, MYSURU - 570 004.
P-D-7 : Sri B.N. Jayanth, S/o Sri B.S. Nagaraja, Age: Major, residing at No.485, 1ST Cross, Chavadi Street, Old Agrahara, MYSURU - 570 004.
P-D-8 : Sri S. Suresh Father's name not known to the Plaintiffs, Age: Major, residing at No.159, 2ND Main Road, Chamarajapete, BENGALURU - 560 018.
P-D-9 : Sri S. Umesh, Father's name not known to the Plaintiffs, Age: Major, residing at No.159, 2ND Main Road, Chamarajapete, BENGALURU - 560 018.
P-D-10 : Sri M. Manjunath, S/o late T.P. Markandeya, Age: about 50 years, residing at No.159, 2nd Main Road, 4th Cross, Chamarajapete, BENGALURU - 560 018.
P-D11 : Smt. Vasantha Markandeya, W/o late T.P. Markandeya, Age: about 70 years, residing at No.159, 2ND Main Road, 4TH Cross, Chamarajapete, BENGALURU - 560 018.
P-D-12 : Sri K.S. Krishnoji Rao, S/o late K. Sadashiva Rao, Age: about 62 years, residing at No.30, Old No.139, 2ND Main Road, 3rd Cross, Chamarajapete, BENGALURU - 560 018.
P-D-13 : Smt. S. Roopa Pawar, W/o Sri K.S. Krishnoji Rao, Age: 51 years, residing at No.30, Old No.139, 2ND Main Road, 3rd Cross, Chamarajapete, BENGALURU - 560 018.
WHEREAS, the Plaintiffs have instituted the above Suit against the Defendants for declaration, mandatory and permanent injunction and for other consequential reliefs.
WHEREFORE, take Notice that you, the **Proposed Defendants Nos. 04 to 13,** above-named, is hereby called upon to appear before this Hon'ble Court **on 24.06.2026 at 11'00 Clock in the forenoon** either in person or through duly constituted pleader and submit your defence, if any. Failure to appear on the said date, the above Suit will be decided placing you ex parte.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that part and parcel of the residential property bearing Old No.139 New No.30 PID No.46-4-30/1 measuring East to West = 14' [fourteen] feet and South to North = 31' [thirty-one] feet inclusive of Stair Case portion separately attached to the property on its Northern side measuring East to West = 14' and South to North = 3' [three] feet [as per existence of property] delineated in Green and Yellow colour as hereunder and absolute right, title and interest over common passage of East to West = 3' [three] feet and North to South or / South to North = 111' [one hundred and eleven] feet out of grand total extent of East to West = 17' [seventeen] feet [inclusive of 3' feet common passage situate towards Eastern side] and North to South = 111' [one hundred and eleven feet] and bounded on the **EAST BY :** 3' [three] feet common passage and then the House of Vincent, **WEST BY :** House of Vincent, **NORTH BY :** Earlier was "A" Schedule Property fallen to the share of B.S. Nagaraj and B.N. Jayanth thereafter that portion of property measuring East to West = 14 '[fourteen] feet and North to South = 35' [thirty - five] feet delineated in "ORANGE" Colour sold to Defendants Nos. 01 and 02 and then that portion of property measuring East to West = 14' [fourteen] feet and North to South = 45' [forty-five] feet sold to Defendant No.03, **SOUTH BY :** Conservancy Road
Given under my hand and seal of this Hon'ble court this the 24th day of April 2026.
BY ORDER OF THE COURT, SENIOR SHERISTEDAR, CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS COURT, BENGALURU CITY, BENGALURU.
ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFFS
Sri M.G. GHORPADE SHEREGAR, B.A.,LLB., High Court Advocate
M/s. YAJAMAN SHEREGAR ASSOCIATES, Law Office: "YAJAMAN SHEREGAR CHAMBERS", No.70/5, Srinivasa Building, 3rd Floor, next Canara Bank, 2nd Cross, 5th Main, Y. Ramachandra Road, near Mothi Mahal Hotel, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru - 560 009, Karnataka, India. MOBILE : 96065 09578.

PIN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-I)
MISC NO: 1451/2025
IN ORIGINAL SUIT NO. /2025
BETWEEN:-
1. JAI BHEEM AKHILA BHARATHA DALITHA HORATA SAMITHI, Reg. No.DRO/SJN/SOR/591/15-16, No.35, 4th Main Road, Domlur Layout, Bengaluru-560 071. Rep. by its Founder President Sri. M.MUNIRAJU alias M.M. Raju. **2. SMT. SUJATHA** W/o Bala channaiah, Aged about 49 years, R/a No.45, KHB MS Building, Jayarajnagar, Shanthinagar, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560027. **3. SRI. SATISH. P** S/o G Purushothaman, Aged about 38 years, R/a No.35, D N S Layout Sacred, Hearts Road, T C Palya, Opp Banaglore Movies, Bangalore North, Krishnarajapuram, Bangalore-560036. **4. SMT. S. GEETHA** C/o Murthy, Aged about 31 years, R/a No.1250 2nd floor, BDA Flats, Indira Canteen Backside, Austin Town, 2nd stage, Bangalore South, Bangalore 560047. **5. SRI. RAVINDER PONNUSWAMY,** S/o Late. D.Ponnuswamy, Aged about 50 years, R/a: 2nd A-Main Road, Near Telephone Exchange, Domlur Layout, Domlur, Bangalore 560071. **6. SRI. PURUSHOTHAMAN C** S/o Chandrashekar G, Aged about 26 years, R/a No. 180 1 cross, 4th Main, Domalur East, A K Colony, Bangalore-560071. **7. SRI. MADHU KUMAR.K** S/o Krishnappa, Aged about years, R/a No. 164 4th Main Road Domlur Layout, Bangalore-560071. **8. SRI. RANJITH. B** C/o Balachanna, Aged about 25 years R/a No. 1249 B-33 Block, BDA Quatres, Neelasandra, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560047 ... PLAINTIFFS
AND:-
1. PANCHAJANYA VIDYA PEETHA, (A Society Registered under the Karnataka Societies Registration Act), No. 2, 1 'N' Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560 010. Rep. by its Secretary & Managing Trustee / Secretary, Sri.S.Shivamallu. **2. PANCHAJANYA VIDYA PEETHA WELFARE TRUST (Regd),** No.2, 1st 'N' Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560 010. Rep. by its Secretary & Managing Trustee / Secretary, Sri.S.Shivamallu. **3. SMT.NALINAKSHI NAGARAJAN,** W/o. Late Dr.H.N.Nagarajan, Aged about 75 years, R/at: No.898, 9th A Cross, 11th Main, West of Chord Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bengaluru-560 086. **4. DR.KIRAN NAGARAJAN** S/o. Late Dr. H.N. Nagarajan, Aged about 55 years, R/at: No.898, 9th A Cross, 11th Main, West of Chord Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bengaluru-560 086. **5. SMT.RASHMI CHALA** W/o. Arjunachala, Aged about 50 years, R/at: No.4945, Shelbourne Drive, Cumming, Georgia 30041, ...RESPONDENTS
PUBLIC NOTICE
Whereas the above named petitioner have filed petition under section 92 of the code of civil procedure 1908 for setting aside the order of dismissal dated................. passed in and restore the same on the file of this Hon'ble Court by allowing the petition. You, the Respondents are hereby summoned to appear in this court in person on the day of at 5-6-2026 11 O' clock in the forenoon to answer the claim and you are directed to produce on that day all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your defense.
Take notice that, in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand & seal of the court, this. 27.04.2026. WHEREFORE, the Plaintiffs pray that this Hon'ble Court may kindly be pleased to pass a Judgment and Decree in favour of the Plaintiffs against the defendants granting the following reliefs: - (a) Declare that the Deed of Exchange dated 15.10.2008, registered as Document No.1-01927-2008-09, stored in CD No.R.JND127, Book-1, pages-1 to 14, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru, as void ab initio and non-est and not binding on the plaintiffs or other public spirited citizens of the community; (b) Restore the property described in the **Schedule-A** to the 2nd Defendant Trust and restore the property to the Defendant Nos.3 to 5 by way of mandatory injunction; (c) For a permanent injunction restraining the defendant Nos.3 to 5, their men, servants, agents, administrators, assignees etc., or any persons claiming through or under them from alienating or encumbering the **A-Schedule Property;** And (d) Grant such other and further relief's as this Hon'ble Court deems fit and proper under the circumstances of this case in the interest of justice and equity including the cost of this suit.
A-SCHEDULE PROPERTY
(Property exchanged and conveyed in favour of Smt. Nalinakshi Nagarajan, Dr. Kiran Nagarajan, Sri.Arun Nagarajan and Smt.Rashmi Chala)
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.898, situated at 9th 'A' Cross, Mahalakshmipura, West of Chord Road, II Stage, Bangalore- 560086, measuring North to South: 80 feet, East to West: 50 feet, in all measuring about 4000 square feet, with a building having a total area of 3400 square feet (ground floor 2000 Sq. Ft + First Floor 1400 Sq.Ft), both in the year 1976 with RCC structure, mosaic flooring and hone/matthi wood doors and windows together with water, sanitary and electrical services and bounded on: **East by :** Site No.899, **West by :** Site No.897, **North by :** 9th 'A' Cross, **South by :** Private property of Mr.Balagopal
B-SCHEDULE PROPERTY
(Property exchanged and conveyed in favour of Panchajanya Vidya Peetha Welfare Trust (Regd))
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.460, III Stage, III Block, West of Chord Road, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-560079, measuring east to West: 60 feet and North to South: 40 feet, with a building having a total built up area of 6800 square feet (ground floor 2000 square feet + first Floor 2000 square feet + Second Floor 1800 square feet + Third Floor 600 square feet) built in the year 1980, with RCC structure mosaic flooring and hone/matthi wood doors and windows together with water, sanitary and electrical services and bounded on: **East by :** Road, **West by :** Site No.463, **North by :** Site No.459, **South by :** Site No.461
By Order of Court : Senior Sheristedar City Civil Court, Bangalore.
Advocate for Petitioners : N. Ramalinga Reddy, Enrolment No-KAR/160/1984, No. 140, Infantry Road, Bengaluru-560001

RAIL WHEEL FACTORY
YELAHANKA, BENGALURU – 560 064.
Website: www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in
Corrigendum to Tender Notice No. RWF/W/26-27/02 dt: 21.04.2026
1. Additions in the tender documents under the above tender notice may please be noted:
Document Description: 1) Electrical Scope of Work. **2)** S&T Scope of Work. **3)** MIS Scope of Work.
2. Correction in Schedule **D1-Electrical Items,** the Sl. No. 33 may be read as Supply & installation of 400 mm sweep wall fan as per scope of work.
All other terms and conditions remains unaltered.
Deputy Chief Engineer

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDITIONAL CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT DEVANAHALLI
C.Mis. No. 276/2026
BETWEEN: Smt. Bhagyamma & others ...**Petitioner**
AND: The Thasildar, Yelahanka Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District ...**Respondent**
PUBLIC NOTICE
I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my client **Sri. Bhagyamma** W/o Nagaraju, aged about 61 years, R/at #7, Lakshmi Nilaya, Papanna Layout, Dr.Rajkumar Park, Grapes Garden, Kammanahalli, Bengaluru North, and others have filed the above petition for the death certificate of one Late. Tippanna S/o Late. Nagappa, was died on 23.04.1986 at T. Agrahara Village, Tarahunase Post, Jala hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District-562157 if any 3rd parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Hon'ble Additional Civil Judge and J.M.F.C at Devanahalli and the date hearing on **10/06/2026** at **11.00 A.M** in Crl.Mis.No. 276/2026.
Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this 23/04/2026
By the order of this Hon'ble court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri. Manoj. C.B, Advocate
Office at: Samruddi Nilaya, 1st Cross Shantinagar, Devanahalli Town- 562110

IN THE COURT OF XI ADDL. CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BANGALORE
O.S.No. 5329/2025
Plaintiff :- Smt. Chandramma, W/o. Late Sri. Venkatesh D/o. Late Sri. B. Ramappa Aged about 69 years Residing at Old No.63 2nd Cross, Pillamma Block, Srirampuram, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru 560021. -V/s-
Defendant :- Sri. R. Shekar
NOTICE / SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANT
To, Sri. R. Shekar, S/o. Late Sri. B. Ramappa Aged about 66 years Residing at Old No.63 1st and 2nd Cross, Pillamma Block, Srirampuram, Bengaluru North Bengaluru -560021.
Whereas the above named plaintiff instituted a suit for partition against you in the above case bearing O.S.No. 5329/2025
You are hereby summoned to appear before this court on **13/07/2026 at 11.A.M.** in person or through advocate/pleader to answer the questions to the same. Failing which the suit will be heard and determined as ex-parte.
Schedule Property
All that piece and parcel of the schedule property Carved out of Sy.No.63/1 Kethmarana Halli Village, Yeshwanpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently comes within the limits of BBMP Ward No.24 Bashyam Nagar, 2nd Cross, Pillamma Block, Sriramapuram Bengaluru Old Muncipal No. 13 New No.9. Khatha bearing PID No.24-11-9 measuring East to West 25 feet North to South 60 feet over all measuring 1500 square feet and bounded on
East by : Sanjeevamma's house,
West by : Doddaiah's house, **North by :** Conservancy Road, **South by :** Road
Given under my hand & seal of the court, this 15th day of April 2026.
By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bengaluru
Name : Moovendan. R
MVR ADOCATE & ASSOSIATES
No. 3/E, 14th Main, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru -560040. Ph No. 9845972133
Mail Id : advocatemvrchola@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE
The General Public hereby notice that my client **GANGAPPA,** residing at Puttenahalli Village, Madhure Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Our client is the absolute owner of the Property bearing Sy.No.22/P1, Old Sy.No.22, measuring 1 acre 15 guntas, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Madhure Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, our client has informed that while travelling from Majestic bus stop to Doddaballapura, he has lost the Original of registered Release Deed Document No.10716/2014-15, and Saguvalli Chit bearing No.LND/RUC/SR/101/1992-93, dated 19.05.1993, after his best effort to search he could not trace out the same, in this regard-our client has lodged a complaint vide Lost Report No.2166385/2026 dated 21.04.2026, intimating the loss of above mentioned deeds, to the Crime Branch, Bengaluru City Police and it is requested to the General Public that if it is found they may hand over to the address given below within 7days from the date of publication, it is made clear that if the above mentioned Original of above mentioned deeds are used for any wrongful and illegal purpose, my client would not be liable for the same.
Date : 27.04.2026
S A Law Associates
No.29/1, Old No.54, G.Floor, Nanjappa Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru -560027

IN THE COURT OF THE LXXV ADDL. CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-76)
O.S. NO. 1721/2026
BETWEEN: M/S BANK OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS HOUSE BUILDING CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD. A society Registered under the Karnataka Co-operative Societies Act 1959, Having its office at No.33, 1st Floor Sirur Park Road (Adjacent to E.S.I Dispensary) Seshadiripuram, Bengaluru-560020.
Also at No 599/A, Narayana Nagar 1st Block, Doddakallasandra Post, Kanakapura Road, Bengaluru-560062. Represented by its Chief Executive Sri. Varun N, S/o Late Narasinga Rao ... **PLAINTIFF**
AND: SMT. REKHA, W/o Sri. Shankaranarayana Rao, aged about 55 years, Residing at 176, 1st floor, 17th Main, Banashankari II Stage, Bidarahalli, Bangalore-560070. ... **DEFENDANT**
PUBLIC NOTICE
Whereas, the above named person has instituted the above suit before the LXXV Addl. City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH-76), Bengaluru, seeking recovery of money of Rs 5,25,00,000/- with 12% interest, Hence you are hereby called upon to appear before this Court either in person or through a pleader duly instructed on **08.06.2026** at **11:00 A.M** to show cause against the Plaintiff failing which the above suit will be heard in your absence by considering the Defendant as ex-parte.
Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this 23/04/2026
By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bengaluru
Lawyers Inc
Advocate & Solicitors
No.15/2, V.S. Raju Road, 12th Block, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru-560020.
Phone: +91-80-41553014

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER, BENGALURU SOUTH SUB-DIVISION AT BENGALURU
R.A (A) No. 43 of 2026
BETWEEN: SMT. JAYALAKSHMI ..APPELLANT
AND: THE TAHSILDAR, and others ..RESPONDENTS
SUMMONS UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 READ WITH SECTION 151 OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, 1908 TO RESPONDENT No. 2 to 7
SRI. MUNIKRISHNA C.M, S/o late Chikkamuniswappa, Chikkanagamangala Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal.
MISS. KAVYA C.M, D/o Munikrishna C.M, Chikkanagamangala Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal.
MISS. LIKITHA C.M, D/o Munikrishna C.M, Chikkanagamangala Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal
SMT. KALAVATHI, W/o late Nagaraju, Chikkanagamangala Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal.
SRI. N. ANIL KUMAR, S/o late Nagaraju, Chikkanagamangala Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal.
SRI. N. MANOJ KUMAR, S/o late Nagaraju, Chikkanagamangala Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal
Take notice that the appellant has filed the above appeal seeking to call for records pertaining to the Schedule Property and set aside the Mutation Orders in MR No. T22/2020-21 dated 10.12.2020; MR No. H28/2021-22 dated 21.12.2021; MR No. H9/2023-24 dated 17.01.2024; MR No. H11/2023-24 dated 11.03.2024 with respect to New Survey No. 184/5 measuring 21.08 Guntas (carved out of Sy No. 184 measuring 4 acres 13 guntas) in Chikkanagamangala Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk and to direct the Respondent No. 1 to enter the name of this Appellant in the concerned revenue records in respect of the Schedule Property after following necessary procedures as per the provisions of Karnataka Land Revenue Act and Rules.
You are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the appeal on **30/04/2026 at 3.00 PM,** failing which, the appeal will be disposed of in your absence as ex parte.
Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this 27/04/2026.
Assistant Commissioner Bengaluru South Sub-Division Bengaluru

TUMKUR CO-OPERATIVE MILK PRODUCERS SOCIETIES UNION LTD.
N.H. – 206, B.H. ROAD, MALLASANDRA, TUMKUR – 572 107.
Phone:0816-2206297/142/490/46, E-mail: tmupur99@gmail.com, Fax: 0816-2206760
INVITATION FOR TENDERS (Tender Notification only through KPPP Portal)
Tumkur Co-operative Milk Producers Societies Union Ltd., Tumkur invites KPPP Portal tenders two cover system (Technical & Financial bid) from eligible tenderers for the listed below:

Sl. No.	KPPP Tender No. & Date	Materials Details	E.M.D Amount Rs.
1	KMF/2026-27/IND2179 Date: 23-04-2026	Supply Of African Tall Maize (A.T Maize) On ARC Basis– 3,000 Quintal.	2,25,000-00
2	KMF/2026-27/IND2180 Date: 23-04-2026	Supply of Fodder Sorghum Sudan Grass - Multicut/CSH/PC-615/Equivalent On ARC Basis – 2000 Quintal.	2,00,000-00

1. Tender Schedule Downloading Date: **From 24.04.2026 to 08.05.2026 / 2.00 P.M.**
2. Last Date for Submission Of Tender: **08.05.2026/ 2.00 P.M.**
3. Time & Date of Opening of Technical Tender Bid (cover 1): **11.05.2026/ 2.30 P.M.**
4. Web Site Address For E-tender: **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Managing Director
For Tumkur Co-operative Milk Union Ltd.,

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QuoteExpress **WITHOUT HARD WORK, NOTHING GROWS BUT WEEDS** › GORDON B HINCKLEY

pnb Housing Finance Limited Ghar Ki Baat
Regd. Office:- 9 th Floor, Antrakish Bhavan, 22, K G Marg, New Delhi-110001, Ph:- 011-23357171 , 23357172, 23705414, Web: - www.pnbhousing.com
Branch Address: RH_Chennai-Guindy, C 45, 1st Floor, Thiru. Vi. Ka., Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032

"Notice under section 13(2) of Chapter III of Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, read with rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 Amended as on Date". We, the **PNB Housing Finance Limited** (hereinafter referred to as 'PNBHFL') had issued Demand notice U/s 13(2) of Chapter III of the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. The said Demand Notice was issued through our Authorized Officer to all below mentioned Borrowers/Co-Borrower/Guarantors since your account has been classified as Non-Performing (NPA) Assets as per the Reserve Bank of India/ National Housing Bank guidelines due to non-payment of instalments/ interest. The contents of the same are the defaults committed by you in the payment of instalments of principals, interest, etc. Further, with reasons, we believe that you are evading the service of Demand Notice hence we are doing this Publication of Demand Notice which is also required U/s 13(2) of the said Act. You are hereby called upon to pay **PNBHFL** within a period of 60 Days of the date of publication of this demand notice the aforesaid amount along with up-to-date interest and charges, failing which **PNBHFL** will take necessary action/measures under all or any of the provisions of Section 13(4) of the said Act, against all or any one or more of the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and guarantors. Your kind attention is invited to provisions of sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 where under you can tender/pay the entire amount of outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the **PNB HFL** only till the date of publication of the notice for sale of the secured assets by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty. Further, you are prohibited U/s 13(13) of the said Act from transferring either by way of sale, lease or in any other way the aforesaid secured assets.

S. No.	Loan Account No(s)	Name/ Address of Borrower and Co- Borrower(s)	Name & Address of Guarantor (s)	Property(ies) Mortgaged	Date of Demand Notice	Amount O/s as on date Demand Notice
1	HOU/BAN /0817/420 046	**Mr. Ramesh Angadi S/o. Neelakantappa,** No. 208, Apoorva Apartments, Doddaommasandra, Bangalore-560097. **Mrs. Shubha N B W/o. Ramesh Angadi** No. 208, Apoorva Apartments, Doddaommasandra, Bangalore-560097. **Both also at:** Flat No. G-08, Oak Leaf, Chembenhahalli village, Sarjapur, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-562125.	N/A	SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY: Item No.I : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property comprising converted land (converted from agricultural use to non-agricultural residential purpose by means of Order No. BDIS./ 2012-13 dated 30-06-2012 passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District) bearing Sy.No.91/4, situated at Chambenehalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, measuring 17 Guntas; and bounded on: East By : Land in Sy.No.91 belonging to Mr. U. Shankar, West By : Land in Sy.No.91/1 belonging to Mr. U. Rajy & Ashwathanarayan, North By : Land in Sy.No.95 belonging to Sri Perumaiah, South By : Land in Sy.No.91/2 belonging to Sri Ashwathanarayan, M. Krishnappa, Thoti Ramaiah, Allappa S/ o Gullappa. Item No.2 : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property comprising converted land (converted from agricultural use to non-agricultural residential purpose by means of Order No BDIS/dated 30-06-2012 passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District) bearing Sy.No.91/5, situated at Chambenehalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, measuring 18 Glintas; and bounded on: East By : Land in Sy.No.93 belonging to Neeraganti Mota, heirs of Motappa, Yellamma W/o Irulappa, West By : Land-in Sy.No.91/4 belonging to Mr. U. Shankar, North By : Land in .1\10.95 belonging to Sri Perumaia.h, South By : Land in Sy.No.91/2 belonging to Ashwathanarayan, M. Krishnappa, Thoti, Ramaiah, Allappa S/ o Gullappa, & Sy.No.92 belonging to M. Ashwathanarayana, Item No.3: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property comprising converted land (converted from agricultural use to non-agricultural residential purpose by means of Order No.BDIS./ dated 03-01-2013 passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist.) bearing Sy,N0.92, situated at Chambenehalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, measuring 04.04 Guntas; and bounded on: East By : Remaining portion of Sy. No.92 owned by Perumaiah, West By : Land in Sy.No.91/2 owned by Sampangi , North By : Land in Sy.No.91/5 owned by Dr.Prasad, South By : Road. SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY: (Description of Undivided share of land agreed to be Conveyed): 652 Sq. Ft. of undivided share, rights, title and interest in the Schedule "A" Property, which is the corresponding undivided share of land and conunon areas, in respect of Schedule "C" Apartment unit. SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY: [Description of the Apartment Unit agreed to be Conveyed): All that piece and parcel of immovable property comprising one apartment unit, i.e., Flat No. G - 08, situated in Ground Floor, Unit -08, measuring a super built-up area of 163] sq. Ft., TYPE 3BHK+3T (which is also inclusive of balconies and a proportionate share in the common areas), with One Covered Parking Space in the Surface Floor, in the residential apartment Building known as " Oak Leaf " being constructed on the Schedule-A Property.	13-04-2026	**Rs.52,98,719/-** (Rupees Fifty Two Lakhs Ninety Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventeen Only) **due as on 13-04-2026**
2	HOU/ECT Y/0519/69 8866	**Mrs. Kanta Agarwal S/o. Lalit Kumar,** No. 18, 3rd Floor, Srusti Apts, 3rd Cross, Agromore Layout, Attiguppe, Chandra Layout, Bangalore-560040. **Mr. Lalit Kumar, S/o. Lal Chand,** No. 18, 3rd Floor, Srusti Apts, 3rd Cross, Agromore Layout, Attiguppe, Chandra Layout, Bangalore-560040. **Both also at:** Flat No. H-204, 2nd Floor, Pride Enchanta, Block B Wing 2, Deevitigermanehalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore-560060.	N/A	Schedule A Property: All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land bearing BBMP Municipal No.320, PID No.41-1-320, Mysore Road, Ward No.158, Bengaluru - 560026, (earlier Sy. No. 11/2, Deevitigeramanahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk), measuring a total extent of about 18,384 Sq.Mtrs. (1,97,885 sq.ft.,) now coming within the jurisdiction of the BBMP and bounded on the: East by: Sy.No.7 of Deevitigeramanahalli Village, West by: Road followed by Sy.No.12 of Deevitigeramanahalli Village, North by: Sy.No.11/1 Deevitigeramanahalli Village and Bengaluru - Mysore Highway, South by: Sy.No.10 of Deevitigeramanahalli Village. **Schedule 'B' Residential Apartment:** Residential Apartment bearing No. H-204 in Block B Wing-2 on the Second Floor in the residential complex known as "Pride Enchanta-Phase-II" constructed on the Schedule A Property measuring about 79.21 Sq.Mts (852.59 sq.ft) of carpet area together with the exclusive right to use and enjoy the internal balconies area of 9.48 sq.mts (102.09 Sq.Fts) lying appurtenant thereto consisting of Two Bed Rooms and the exclusive right to use and enjoy One Covered car Parking Space in the basement / ground floor with RCC roofing and built in accordance with the specifications as agreed to between the Land Owner /Vendor, The Developer/Promoter And The Purchaer/Allottee under the terms and conditions of the Agreement to sell dated 08.04.2019 entered into between them.	13-04-2026	**Rs. 28,42,291/-** (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Forty Two Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety One Only) **due as on 13-04-2026**
3	HOU/MLS /0916/320 469	**Mr.Dodapalya Andanaiah Nagaraja S/o. Andanaiah** No.24, 4th Main, 3rd Stage, Vijayanagar, Near GKVK Layout Bus Stand, Bangalore-560040. **Mrs. Shylaja D C W/o. Dodapalya Andanaiah Nagaraja** No.24, 4th Main, 3rd Stage, Vijayanagar, Near GKVK Layout Bus Stand, Bangalore-560040. **Both also at:** Site No.1301, Raynal Gardens, Sy.No. 136/4, Tavarekere Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bangalore - 562130.	N/A	**"Schedule Property-A":** All that property bearing PID No-67-23-4 (comprising old No's 4,5,6,7,8 &9), situated at Adugodi, Adugodi Main Road, Bangalore-30 presently comes under Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara palike ward No-67, measuring to an extent of 30823 sq feet & bounded by: East: NDRI and Private Property, West: Hosur Road, North: NDRI Property,South: Property belongs to A M Chikkapapanna. **"Schedule-B": The Share/Property Of Bhagyalakshmi:** Super Built Up Area To An Extent of 1200 Sft (i.e 1.6% of the total super built up area) on Ground, First & Second floors as mentioned below and constructed over the Schedule Property-A Property Known as Sapphire, Project of Salarpuria and Sattva. Description : Second Floor. Super Built Up Area In Sft : 1200 - S2 Total 1200, a) An 2 No's covered car parking area at basement (Marked as 2A & 2B). b) Along with 1.6% undivided share, right, title and interest in the land and terrace.	13-04-2026	**Rs.14,36,100/-** (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Thirty Six Thousand and One Hundred Only) **due as on 13-04-2026**
4	HOU/MRH /1017/438 825	**Mr. Ravi Kumar M S/o. Madhappan,** No.72 1, JJ Nivas, 2nd Floor, 11th Cross, 1st Main, Pai Layout, Tin Factory, Bangalore -560016. **Mrs. Shubha N B W/o. Ravi Kumar M,** No.72 1, JJ Nivas, 2nd Floor, 11th Cross, 1st Main, Pai Layout, Tin Factory, Bangalore - 560016. **Both also at:** Flat No.C-104, Block C, S & G Luxuria, Iggalur village, Attibele, Bangalore - 562107.	N/A	SCHEDULE 'A': Item No :1: All that piece and parcel of converted land bearing Sy No 132, measuring 31 guntas, situated at Iggluru Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on: East by : Remaining portion of land in Sy No 132 and road, West by : Remaining portion of land in Sy No 132 and road, North by : Land in Sy No 130 and 131, South by : Remaining portion of land in Sy No 132.. Item No 2: All that piece and parcel of converted land bearing Sy No 132, measuring 1-acre guntas, situated at Iggluru Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on: East by : Remaining portion of land in Sy NO 132, North by : Land in Sy NO 130 and Road, South by : Remaining portion. of land in Sy NO 132. Item No 3: All that piece and parcel of converted land bearing Sy No 132, measuring 15 guntas, situated at Iggluru Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on: East by: Remaining portion of land in Sy No 132 and road, West by: Remaining portion of land in Sy No 132 and road, North by : Remaining portion of land in Sy No 132, South by : Land in SY No 133. SCHEDULE 'B': 575 sq ft of undivided right, title, interest and ownership in Schedule "A" Property.SCHEDULE 'C': All that Residential Apartment No. C-104, measuring 1150 square feet of Super Built-Up Area, situated on the First Floor 2 BHK of C block of "S & G, Luxuria" with One Covered Car Parking to be constructed in schedule A property.	13-04-2026	**Rs.17,91,106/-** (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Ninety One Thousand One Hundred and Six Only) **due as on 13-04-2026**

Date: 13.04.2026, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer, PNB Housing Finance Limited**

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MARKET			GOLD*			SILVER*			FOREX		
639.42	Sensex	77,303.63	₹270	24 carat (10 gm)	₹153,860	1 kg	₹260,000	Dollar	94.21
194.75	Nifty	24,092.70	₹300	22 carat (10 gm)	₹141,050	10 gm	₹2,600	Euro	110.46

*Delhi Mandi Price

Sun Pharma acquires US-based Organon in $11.8 bn all-cash deal

Sun Pharma to acquire all outstanding stocks of the New Jersey-based company at $14/share

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

COUNTRY'S largest drug-maker Pharmaceutical has proposed to buy New Jersey-based Organon & Co for $11.75 billion in an all-cash deal.

This is the largest M&A transaction in the domestic pharma space and the second-largest outbound foreign direct investment by an Indian company after the $12-billion Tata Steel-Corus deal of April 2007.

The deal will make Sun the seventh-largest biosimilar player in the world and catapult it into the top 25 global pharma giants, with a topline of $12.4 billion. The deal also gives the Dilip Shanghvi-founded company direct access to the US and China, the world's second-largest pharma market with annual sales of over $150 billion. At present, Sun has no presence in China. It also opens up the Korean, Turkish and broader Latin American markets to Sun, where it currently has negligible presence.

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>
> Dilip Shanghvi , Sun Pharma

BIG DEAL: A DOSE OF GROWTH

1. The deal will make Sun the 7th largest biosimilar player in the world
2. Catapults it into the top 25 global pharma giants, with a top line of $12.4 billion
3. Organon is a global health care firm with a portfolio of over 70 products

The US is one of Sun Pharma's biggest markets with the former accounting for one-third of the its total global sales.

"In total, the deal opens as many as 140 markets to us, up from the 110 we are in now, as Organon is present in as many as 140 markets," Shanghvi, executive chairman, told reporters here on Monday, announcing his largest deal yet.

Shanghvi said the deal values the NYSE-listed Organon at $11.75 billion at the enterprise level, with shareholders to be paid $14 a share. Funding for the debt portion has already been tied up and Sun, which has been debt-free for years, will chip in with around $2.5 billion in equity.

Organon is a global healthcare firm formed through a spinoff from Merck — known as MSD outside the US and Canada — in 2021. Its portfolio includes over 70 products across women's health (contraceptives and fertility drugs, where it is a world leader), general medicines and biosimilars, commercialised across 140 countries, with the US, Europe, China, Canada and Brazil among its largest markets. It operates six plants — three each in the EU and emerging markets — Sun MD Kirti G anorkar said.

For Shanghvi, inorganic growth is nothing new, as he has completed over a dozen M&As since 2000, with the $2 billion Ranbaxy deal in 2015 being the largest thus far. There is another similarity between the Organon and Ranbaxy deals — both were valued on a par with Sun's revenue in the deal year. Sun's revenue in 2015 was $2 billion, same as Ranbaxy's, while both Sun and Organon had $6.2 billion in revenue in FY25. Both deals doubled Sun's revenue, Shanghvi said, adding he expects the deal to close in 2027.

Shanghvi reiterated that Sun will continue to pay dividends to shareholders and that the 2.3x leverage the deal will impose will be temporary.

TRADE PACT

Indian exporters see trade volume doubling with NZ

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

WITH the signing of the India-New Zealand free trade agreement) on Monday, Indian exporters across sectors expect export to the New Zealand market will double in the next five year.

As India gets zero-duty access for 100% of its exports, Indian textile and apparel exporters aim to export goods worth $100 billion by 2030, while the Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC) is targeting 200% export growth to $50 million in three years. As per the Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO), the FTA is expected to more than double bilateral trade volumes.

India and NZ has a total goods trade of less than $1.5 billion, with India exporting over $700 million of goods to NZ and receiving $500 million from NZ. Commerce minister Piyush Goyal said the FTA unlocks export potential, noting India's negligible share in NZ's $500 million leather market. He said out of the $500 million market, India accounts for $4-5 million, but the FTA could unlock greater access for Indian leather exporters.

As per commerce ministry, with zero tariffs, sectors such as automobiles, tractors, two-wheelers, carpets, handicrafts and medical devices are set to benefit. Goyal added that India's scale-driven manufacturing and $400 billion services exports position it well to expand in NZ.

Anish Shah, Group CEO and MD, Mahindra Group, said the deal creates opportunities across farm solutions, mobility, tech and hospitality, while enabling innovation and resilient supply chains. The engineering Exports Promotion Council expects this opportunity to double exports to $280-300 million to NZ over the next five years.

Electronics and electrical manufacturers expect a rise in exports to NZ. Vikram Gandotra, president of the Indian Electrical and Electronics Manufacturers' Association (IEEMA), said with NZ already importing $25 million in critical equipment like transformers and cables from India, immediate elimination of duties on select items, paired with a long-term tariff reduction roadmap, gives Indian manufacturers a competitive edge.

GROWTH PUSH

1. GJEPC targets 200% export growth in 3 years
2. India-NZ total goods trade is less than $1.5 bn
3. India exports more than $700 mn of goods to NZ
4. India receives $500 mn worth goods from NZ

Power demand dips to 238 GW after year's high of 256 GW

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

PEAK power demand fell to 238.15 GW on Sunday, a day after touching this year's high of 256 GW. As per the power ministry data, the peak power demand met, or the highest supply in a day, was 237.21 GW, leaving a shortfall of 0.93 GW on Sunday.

Experts said peak power demand is inching towards the ministry's estimate of 270 GW for summer season as mercury levels have begun to rise. In 2025, peak demand stood at 242.77 GW in June 2025, but remained below the government's estimate of 277 GW. In 2024, peak power demand reached 250 GW in May—a record at the time—exceeding the previous all-time high of 243.27 GW set in September 2023.

Meanwhile, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) has projected a harsh summer this year. Experts said power demand will continue to rise, especially in May and June, due to heatwaves driving increased use of cooling appliances such as air conditioners and desert coolers.

The country's peak power demand has risen along with temperatures in April. The highest electricity supply on April 22 was 239.70 GW, which increased to 240.12 GW on April 23, 2026. In the first fortnight of the month, the peak power demand met, or the highest daily electricity supply, remained lower than the 235.32 GW recorded in April 2025.

Johnson Lifts acquires majority stake in Toshiba Elevators India

SANAL SUDEVAN @ Chennai

INDIA'S leading manufacturer of elevators and escalators, Johnson Lifts (JLPL), on Monday announced it has acquired a majority stake in Toshiba Johnson Elevators (India) (TJEI), up from its earlier 49% stake in the joint venture with Japan-based Toshiba Elevator and Building Systems Corporation.

Without disclosing the increase in stake or fresh capital infusion from the Chennai-based company, the Johnson Lifts management said the acquisition would lead to changes in management and senior personnel on TJEI's board, though elevators and escalators will continue to be made in Japan and imported into India.

"The newly restructured company will take over business responsibilities earlier managed by TJEI. With JLPL assuming majority ownership, TJEI enters a new phase of growth, combining Toshiba's technological excellence and product quality with our India market expertise, extensive sales and service network, and strong customer relationships," said Yohan K John, director, Johnson Lifts.

Responding to TNIE's questions on the impact of the Iran war, Yohan said, "The war has created quite a lot of problems for us. For the past two months, we have not been able to make any shipments to the Gulf. We had to bring back 10-15 containers to our factories after they got stuck in Sri Lanka."

AI-led efficiencies compress deal values across IT sector

PADMINI DHRUVARAJ @ Bengaluru

COUNTRY'S top IT services companies are beginning to face a clear shift as artificial intelligence starts to push down the value of their traditional business.

Executives across the sector say AI-led efficiencies are compressing deal sizes and lowering billing rates, even though overall demand for technology services remains steady. The change is gradual but visible, and companies are now adjusting to a new pricing reality.

At HCLTech, chief executive C Vijayakumar said the impact is already being felt. "AI deflation could be 2 to 3% a year," he said during the company's Q4 earnings press conference, adding that the pricing is being reset as automation improves productivity.

This shift is reflected in how contracts are now being signed. Deals that were earlier valued at $100 million are now closer to $80 million, not because demand has fallen, but because the same work can be done faster and with fewer people. The pattern is not limited to one company. Over the past two weeks, leaders at TCS, Infosys, Wipro, and Tech Mahindra have all pointed to similar trends.

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>
> Salil Parekh, CEO, Infosys

"You would expect AI revenues to increase going forward, along with some of the traditional revenues to slowly taper down and AI revenue to overcompensate for the reduction in the revenue in other parts of the service line," said K. Krithivasan, CEO, TCS.

Infosys CEO Salil Parekh described the shift in simpler terms. "So, the compression is coming on some of the services, and the growth is coming on other services, and the compression is typically in the areas where the AI foundation models and some of the tools are very efficient," he said.

As AI tools take over routine work such as coding, testing, and maintenance, projects require less human effort. This reduces the time spent on tasks and, in turn, lowers the amount clients are willing to pay. At the same time, companies said demand itself has not weakened. HCLTech said it has been able to keep its total contract value run-rate broadly steady, even as individual deal sizes shrink.

EXPRESS READ

Gold investment hits 10-year high in 2025

NEW DELHI: Gold investment demand in India surged to 40% of total consumption in CY25, the highest in recent memory, with ETF inflows alone adding 37.5 tonne, more than combined investment of the previous 10 years amid geopolitical uncertainty. *ENS*

Coal India profit rises 11% to ₹10,839 crore

NEW DELHI: Coal India on Monday reported an 11.1% increase in consolidated net profit to ₹10,839.18 crore in the March quarter, driven by higher revenue. CIL logged a consolidated net profit of ₹9,751.64 crore in the year-ago period. *ENS*

SkyHop gets nod to commence seaplane ops

NEW DELHI: SkyHop Aviation said on Monday that it has received its Air Operator Certificate (AOC) from the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) to commence commercial seaplane operations in India. *ENS*

Fertiliser subsidy may jump 20% amid Iran war

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

COUNTRY'S fertiliser subsidy bill is expected to jump by about 20% in the current financial year due to West Asia disruptions that have blocked the movement of cargoes in the Strait of Hormuz.

As per Aparna Sharma, additional secretary in the Department of Fertilizers, the ministry is engaging with finance ministry and has received assurances for additional spending to address higher input costs. India's fertiliser subsidy in FY 2025–26 is $19.85 billion.

However, she also mentioned that the supply position has remained comfortable in April as from 1 April 2026 to 26 April 2026 availability has remained substantially higher than the requirement.

SUPPLY SITUATION REMAINS COMFORTABLE

Aparna Sharma, additional secretary the Department of Fertilizers, said supply position has remained comfortable from April 1, 2026 to April 26, 2026 availability has remained substantially higher than the requirement

The Gulf region is a major supplier of fertilisers such as DAP, MOP and NPK to India. It provides about 20–30% of urea and around 30% of DAP imports. Moreover, it also supplies nearly 50% of India's LNG, which is an important raw material for making urea.

As there are reports of dry-outs at petrol pumps in several parts of the country, especially in Andhra Pradesh, a petroleum ministry official said that there is no dry-out at all in the country; in fact, this is panic buying, which should be avoided right now. Andhra Pradesh is currently facing a sudden and acute fuel shortage of both petrol and diesel, leaving hundreds of retail outlets dry and sending citizens into a state of high anxiety.

She said that the country has sufficient supply of LPG and there is no dry-out at any distributor. About 93% of the supply is being done through the authentication code of LPG cylinders. In April so far, approximately 165,600 tonnes of commercial LPG has been sold, compared to around 129,500 tonnes in March. So far, approximately 42,600 PNG consumers have surrendered their LPG connections. Supply at petrol pumps is also normal everywhere, but panic buying is being seen at some places.

Amazon to expand quick delivery service to 100 cities

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

AMAZON on Monday said it will expand its ultra-fast delivery service Amazon Now to 100 cities across India, backed by over 1,000 micro-fulfillment centers (MFCs) and an investment of ₹2,800 crore to strengthen its operations network and associate welfare.

The expansion marks a major push by the e-commerce giant into India's growing quick commerce market, where deliveries within minutes are becoming increasingly competitive.

The company said Amazon Now, available in Mumbai, Delhi-NCR and Bengaluru, will be rolled out in metro and non-metro cities including Kochi, Amritsar, Mangalore, Visakhapatnam, Lucknow, Pune, Hyderabad, Chennai, Kolkata and Jaipur, among others.

The service offers delivery of daily essentials including groceries, fresh produce, personal care products, fashion and beauty items, small appliances, baby products and pet supplies — within minutes.

Expansion will be supported by a network of over 1,000 MFCs and will enable over 16,000 farmers to sell fresh produce directly to customers .

Q4 RESULTS FY2026

TMB net profit increases 28% on core income growth

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

THE Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (TMB) on Monday reported a 28% increase in net profit to ₹373.65 crore in the fourth quarter of FY26, helped by an expansion in the net interest margin.

The bank had reported a net profit of ₹291.90 crore in the same quarter a year ago. The core net interest income rose 24.04 per cent year-on-year to ₹704.45 crore in Q4FY26, from ₹567.92 crore in a similar quarter a year ago.

In the quarter, net interest margins (NIM) of the bank improved to 4.18%, from 4.04% in a quarter ago period, and 3.91% in a year ago period, while the advances grew over 20%. The bank is targeting to maintain advances growth in FY27 as well, Salee S Nair, MD and CEO of the bank said.

Ultratech profit rises 20% to ₹2,983 cr; offers ₹240 dividend

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

ADITYA Birla Group flagship Ultratech Cement, which last week became the world's largest cement company, outside China, with 200 million tonne annual capacity, on Monday reported a 20% year-on-year jump in net income at ₹2,983 crore for the March quarter. It declared a dividend of ₹240 a share.

Revenue rose 12% to ₹25,799 crore while sales volume rose 9.3% to 42.41 million tonne, with capacity utilisation reaching 89%, it said. The company had reported net profit of ₹2,482 crore in the year-ago period. During FY26, its capacity reached 197 MT , and the company crossed the 200 MT mark in April, through greenfield and brownfield additions at Shahjahanpur, Patratu, and Visakhapatnam.

RBI issues final guidelines on asset classification, provisioning by lenders

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

THE Reserve Bank on Monday issued the final guidelines on asset classification and provisioning by lenders.

The guidelines on expected credit loss (ECL) will come into force from April 1, 2027, despite requests from banks to push back the date of implementation. Banks will require to assess credit risks and build provisions based on potential future losses.

Assets will be classified into three stages depending on risk levels, with provisions ranging from 12-month to lifetime expected losses, the RBI said in the final direction titled 'Reserve Bank of India (commercial banks-asset classification, provisioning and income recognition) directions, 2026, the draft of which issued last October.

The rules introduce a "staging framework" for asset classification under the ECL approach, which is a framework that is forward looking and mandates banks to build buffers based on likely losses an asset will incur. To measure ECL, a bank should assess whether the credit risk on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, the RBI said.

Where such increase has not occurred, the bank shall recognise a loss allowance based on 12-month expected credit losses, the directions said.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the **ARM Branch II, Bangalore of Canara Bank,** the **Possession** of which has been taken by the **Authorised Officer of ARM Branch II, Bangalore will be sold "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis** for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below.

Sl. No.	Name and address of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s	Total Liabilities	Description of Immovable Properties (Name of Owner / Mortgagor to be mentioned)	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price & Earnest Money Deposit [EMD] Date & Time	Incremental Value at Bid
1.	**1. M/s Beacon Builders** No. 1599, Ground Floor, East End Main Road, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore – 560069. **2. Mr. Habibulla Khan S/o Late Abdul Hameed Khan** No. 1599, Ground Floor, East End Main Road, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore – 560069. **3. Mrs. Ghazala Asma** No. 95, 6th Main, Opposite Maruthi Park, Maruthi Layout 1st Stage, Bangalore - 560029	**Rs. 1,91,05,275.72/- (Rupees One Crore Ninety One Lakhs Five Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Five and Seventy Two paisa only) plus further interest thereon from 21.04.2026 along with expenses, other charges, etc.**	All that piece and parcel of Property bearing House List No. 28, Khata No. 857/1, Assessment No. 12/2 and 47/2, Situated at Kothanuru Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk. Measuring : East to West 30 Feet and North to South 50 Feet, Totally Measuring 1500 Sq.Ft., and bounded as follows : **North by :** Private Property, **South by :** Road, **East by :** Property No. 29, **West by :** Property No. 27. **Owner of the Property: Habibulla Khan**	**05.06.2026 – 01:00 PM to 03.00 PM** (With unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of the sale)	**No. 1 : Reserve Price: Rs. 190.56 Lakhs EMD Rs. 19.06 Lakhs on or before 04.06.2026.**	**Multiplies of Rs. 1,00,000/-.** Encumbrance (s): Not Known to the Bank

Other Terms and Conditions :-

a. Auction / bidding shall be only through **" Online Electronic Bidding"** through the **Website : https://baanknet.com/** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.
b. The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer .
c. The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process.
d. EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (Baanknet)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS / NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan.
e. After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **04.06.2026 to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email.**
   i. Demand Draft / Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No.
   ii. Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount.
   iii. Bid Form.
   The intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://baanknet.com /**and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, **M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e- mail : support.baanknet@psballiance.com**
   EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD / Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest.
f. Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in **Multiplies of Rs. 1,00,000/-** The bidder who submits the highest bid not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
g. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of **Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR** shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of **Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code : CNRB0006298.**
h. For sale proceeds of **Rs. 50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty Lacs)** and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank.
i. All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty / GST / Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only.
j. Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof.
k. In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach **Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru,** who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements.
l. Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area dues, etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank.
m. After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act.

For further details contact Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, ARM Branch-2- (9113092975, 8921102717, 9201460154, 9464534482, 8709675503 and 080-25310181) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e- mail : support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

Special Instruction / Caution :

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Date : 27.04.2026
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

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PUBLIC NOTICE

CORRIGENDUM / CORRECTION NOTICE
TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

This Corrigendum is issued in continuation of the Public Notice published earlier by **M/s Bank Officers and Officials House Building Cooperative Society Ltd,** having its registered office at No. 599/A, Narayana Nagara 1st Stage, Doddakallasandra, Kanakapura Road, Bengaluru -560 062 (hereinafter referred to as "Society").

In the said Public Notice dated 02.04.2026, due to inadvertent typographical error, the suit number mentioned as: **O.S. No. 1387/2022**

Shall be read as: **O.S. No.1397/2023**

Before the City Civil Court at Bengaluru.

All other contents, statements, schedules, and recitals contained in the original Public Notice shall remain unchanged and unaltered.

This Corrigendum may be read as part and parcel of the original Public Notice dated 02.04.2026

By order and in the Name of Board of Directors
Sd/-Chief Executive
Date: 28-04-2026 Place: Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

(Lost of document)

This is to inform the General Public that My Client **Sri. Kotha Venkata Subba Rao,** is the absolute owner of the immovable Property bearing residential Site bearing No.473, measuring East to West: 60 feet and North to South: 40 feet, in all measuring 2400 Square feet, Situated at Kamena halli Village Kundana Hobli , Devanahalli Taluk , the Previous Original Registered Sale Deed had been lost which is registered on 09.08.2021, registered as document No. DNH-1-03127-2021-22, stored in C.D. No DNHD1325, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Devanahalli, Bengaluru. I had lodged the complaint in Bangalore City Police Station, Bangalore, on 24/04/2026, LR No. 2171166/2026.

Now, the present owner is **Smt. Kotha Pushpalatha** under the gift deed executed by **Sri. Kotha Venkata Subba Rao** dated 11.02.2026 registered as Doc.No DNH-1-17963-2025-26 in the office of Sub-Registrar, Devanahalli, Bengaluru and there is no other claims of the above said site except **Smt. Kotha Pushpalatha,** if anyone finds the Sale Deed Original document kindly return to the below mentioned address.

C. CHENNAKESHVALU, Advocate
No.163/4, 1st Main Road, Sheshadripuram
Bangalore-560 020. Ph No.9986560904

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the Kind Notice of the General Public that, My Client **Sri.Shabarish Bindhuvalam Krishnamurthy @ Sri.Shabarish.B.K,** has lost/misplaced the Original Sale Deed dated 08/02/1995/09.02.1995, document No. 3436/1994-95, pertaining to the schedule property, and further state that My client has not availed a loan and not created any encumbrance/charge over the schedule property, in any banks, financial institutaions. etc., And Further state that My client Sri.Shabarish Bindhuvalam Krishnamurthy @ Sri.Shabarish.B.K, is availing the loan in Canara bank or in other banks or financial institutions etc., with respect to the schedule property and if anybody having objections or claim over the said property or the Original documents they can lodge their claim and objection with relevant documents with the undersigned within Seven (7) days from the date of this notice, failing which the claims of all such persons shall be deemed to have been waived or abandoned., and in pursuance to that My Client Sri.Shabarish Bindhuvalam Krishnamurthy @ Sri.Shabarish.B.K can avail the loan with respect to the schedule property and Further, If any person/s finds the above Original Sale Deed dated 08/02/1995/09.02.1995, document No. 3436/1994-95, may be delivered to the below mentioned address.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF the immovable residential Property bearing No.1, New Municipal No.2 old No.55/5, thereafter No.15/1, situated at 2nd Cross, Gurrapanapalya Main Road, Bannerghatta Main Road, Thavarekere Post, Bangalore-560029, now comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore assigning the New Ward No.170, old no.58., Ward Name: Jayanagar East, PID No.64-14-2, Bangalore, **measuring East to West: 49-0 feet and North to south 33-0 feet., in all measuring 1617 Sq.ft.,** along with the residential house consisting of Ground Floor thereon. East by : 2nd Cross Road, West by : Property belongs to Sri.Srinivasappa, North by : Property belongs to Sri.B.S.Amarnath, South by : Property belongs to Sri.Sundara.

K.MANJUNATHA LAW ASSOCIATES,
ADVOCATES & LEGAL CONSULTANTS.
Office at No. 393, & No.40/5, 1st Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010.
MOBILE No.9886199381. Date : 27.04.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client's, **SRI. ARUN ABRAHAM MATHEWS,** No. 1455, 6th Main, 5th E Block, AECS Layout, Kundanahalli, Bengaluru-560037.

My Client's lost/misplaced following Original Documents, Original -Sale Deed, dated 23-10-2002 Sale Deed executed by Sri. Sriramaih, in favour of Sri. Thavamani, registered as document No. 11078/2002-2003, Book-1, Stored in CD no. 61, in the office of the sub registrar, Krishnarajapura, Bengaluru.

A complaint dated 24-04-2026, bearing Lost Article Report No.2171680/2026 for the loss of Original above Documents/Deeds are lodged in this regard, If said original property document find it kindly return to the address below and if any objections from anybody may submit within 15 days from the date of publication of this public notice

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Southern portion of **Site No.42,** New BBMP Khatha No 1051/42/63/1/130/1, Old Khatha No 130/1, Property No 63/1, BBMP Ward No.26 (Ramamurthy Nagar), BBMP E-Khatha EPID No. 9658296083, dated 16-02-2026, measuring East to West: 26.5-00 Feet and North to South: 23-00 Feet, totally measuring 609.5 Sq Feet, along with a building of 1325 Square Feet consisting of Ground, First and a portion in the second Floor, with red oxide flooring with civic amenities and bounded on: East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Remaining Portion of the property No.42; South by: Site No.41

S.B. ANGADI ADVOCATE & ASSOCIATES
No-287/A 1st Floor, 6th Main, 2nd Stage, Near Modi Hospital, Mahalkshmipuram, Bengaluru -560086.
Mob: 9743497929, 8050906949
Date:27-04-2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client SRI.MOHANA REDDY, aged about 55 years, Son of late Doreswamy Reddy, R/a No.2921, 14th Cross, KR:Road, Banashankari, 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560070. Have entered into a registered sale agreement in respect of the schedule property from its owner SRI. N.DILIP KUMAR REDDY, S/O SRI. NARAYANA REDDY, aged about 40 years, R/at No-49, MSN Nilaya, Hill view Garden, Turahalli, Near Iyengar Bakery, Subramanyapura, Bangalore-560061. And hereby informed to the public calling any objections, claims, charges, Lien etc., if any in respect of the schedule property, may lodge their objections with documentary proof within 10 days from the date of the publication of this notice, failing which, my client proceeds to complete the sale transactions.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece and parcel Vacant site No-116 portion of Khatha No.213/15 and 212/16/12, New BBMP KHATHA NO. 541/213/15/212/16/2/116, NEW BBMP E- Khatha Property No. 541/254/213/15/212/16/2/116, NEW BBMP E- Aasthi PID No-56095802094, formed in converted land bearing Sy.No.15 and 16/2, (Duly converted from agricultural purpose to non-agricultural residential purpose, as per official Memorandum bearing (1) B.DIS.ALN.SR(S) 125/1997-98, Dated 26/12/1997 AND (2) B.DIS.ALN.SR(S) 126/1997-98, Dated 24/12/1997, Issued by the Special D C, Bengaluru District, Bengaluru) Situated at Turahalli, Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, now comes within the limits of GBA measuring East: 39.03 Feet, west 39.06 feet, North; 30 feet and South 30 feet, totally measuring 1181 Sq. Ft, and bounded on as follows: East by: Site No-117 West by; Site No.115 North by; Road, South by; Private Property.

Harisha D.N. Advocate
OFF/AT NO-25/1, Mezzanine floor, Anand Nivas, 3rd Cross, 6TH Main, Gandhinagar, Bangalore -560009

Govt.of Karnataka
Taluk General Hospital Kudligi

No/tgh/k/Tender/08/2026-27 Date:16.04.2026

Publication of e-tender

Tender are invited through e-procurement in Two cover type for the recruitment of 10 Group "D" and 10 Non-Clinical vacancies Total 20 post in Taluk General Hospital, Kudligifor the year 2026-27. Interested and eligible tenderers are requested to submit tender through e-procurement platform within the specified time.

e-Tender No: **TGH/TENDER/08 /2026-27.** E-Procurement Tender No: **DHFWS/2026-27/SE2186.** Commencement of downloading of e-Tender forms from website http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in: **Date: 21-04-2026 to 20-05-2026evening @ 04.30 p.m.** Last Date for seeking clarification if any: **Date:20-05-2026up to 11:00 am.** Last date for uploading of Tender in e-procurement platform: **Date:20-05-2026evening @ 04.30 P.M.** Date, Time & Venue of Opening of Tenders: **Date:22-05-2026 @ 11.30 a.m in the office of the Chief Medical Officer, Taluk General Hospital, Kudligi through e-procument platform.** Tender Value: **Rs. 60,00,000/-.** EMD : **Rs.1,20,000/-**

Tenderers registered in e-procurement can get information about tender processing fee, EMD, tender form etc., through the Karnataka Government e-procurement portal website http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in or contact the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Chief Medical Officer, Taluk General Hospital Kudligi, Vijayanagara-Dist
DIPR/Vijayanagar/2026-27/KSMCA/RO No/50

Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation
"Transport House" Central Offices, K.H Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru-560027. Tel No. 080-22221321,
Email : trafficcom@ksrtc.org

Tender No. KSRTC/TRF/AWATAR/01/2026-27 Date: 27-04-2026

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Tenders are invited through e-portal for the "Selection of Payment Gateway Service Provider (PGSP) and NCMC Acquirer Bank for enabling end-to-end digital fare collection through ETM Devices and Validators in buses of KSRTC".

1. Calendar of events: Last date for submission of Pre-bid Queries: **04.05.2026 at 17:00 hours,** Pre-Bid meeting: **05.05.2026 at 11:00 hours,** Last date for submission of Bids in e-portal **19.05.2026 at 17:00 hours**, Opening of Technical Bid: **21.05.2026 at 11:00 hours,** Opening of Financial Bid (Tentative) **27.05.2026 at 11:00 hours**

2. The Financial Bids of the Bidders, those who have qualified in Technical Bid will only be opened.

3. The RFP Documents along with Terms & Conditions, Eligibility Criteria and other Technical detail can be downloaded from the e-portal website: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

4. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): Bidder has to pay Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten lakh only) through e-portal by e-payment.

5. KSRTC reserves the right to accept or reject tender without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd/-
DIPR/CP/386/NR/2026-27 **Chief Traffic Manager (Com)**

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED
1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
Mr.CHIBILI GUNA Mr.SURYA PRAKASH PATHIPATI Loan A/c No. 412100001599 Symbolic possession Date 27/04/2026	27/11/2024	**Rs. 3909095.00**	**SCHEDULE "A" : All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property bcaring Site Nos. 16, 17 & 21, comprised in Converted Sy.No.35, present BBMP Katha No.35, { converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose vide order passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore in No.B.DIS:ALN.SR.6413, dated 8/7/1972}, situated at Bhattarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, earlier Hosakote Taluk, later Bangalore South Taluk. presently Bangalore East Taluk, measuring East to West 64 feet, North to South on the Eastern side 127.5 feet and on the Western side 125 feet, totally measuring about 8080 Sq.feet, and bounded on; East by : Private Property; West by: Road; North by: Site No. 10; South by : Private Property; SCHEDULE "B" : 200 Sq.feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above. SCHEDULE "C" : Flat bearing No.G-05, in the Ground Floor, measuring about 900 Sq.feet super built up arca,containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried residential building known as "TEJA NIVAS"constructed over Schedule "A" Property.**
MR. MUTHULAKSHMI MR. MADHAVAN Loan A/c No. 16061039211 Symbolic possession Date 27/04/2026	23/01/2026	**Rs. 2,457,472.07**	**SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY All the piece and parcel of the immovable property being two adjacent vacant residential sites bearing No.17 and No.18, now bearing BMP PID No.84-99-4, situated at 10th cross, Road, B-Channasandra, Banaswadi Dhakale, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk now within the limits od and assessed to tax by the Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, and measuring East to west 45 feet and North to South 65 feet, and in all admeasuring an area of about 2925 Sq ft, and bounded on the: East by: Site No.16, West by: Ramaiah's poperty, North by: Road, South by : Road, SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY : An undivided share in the land comprised in the Schedule-A property equivalent to 365 square feet. SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY : One residential Apartment No.F2 on the first floor in the complex known as 'SHREE LAKSHMI VENKATESHWARA' under construction on the schedule property-A with a super built up area of 1240 Square feet without exclusive use of Terrace Area (together with all common areas attributable thereto with limited access to the terrace area, that is water tank for repairs) and with one exclusive ear-marked car parking space in the basement. The roof is RCC, the flooring is mosaic/vitrified, and the frames are of Honne wood.**
MR. BADIGINCHALA DINESH KUMAR Loan A/c No. 410400010956 Symbolic possession Date 27/04/2026	23/12/2024	**Rs. 1938774.00**	**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY ; Item No.1 : All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted land Measuring 03 Acres 01.04 Guntas in Sy No.44/1,(Dully converted Vide Conversion Order No.ALNSR.70/16-17,Dated.06.05.2017) situated at Dommalur Village, Lakkur Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar District, and bounded on the : East by : Border of Bargur Village, West by : Land in Sy No.49, North by : Road, South by: Land in Sy No.45, Item No.2 : All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted land Measuring 04 Acres 27 Guntas in Sy No.47,(Dully converted Vide Conversion Order No.ALNSR.68/16-17,Dated.06.05.2017) situated at Dommalur Village, Lakkur Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar District, and bounded on the : East by : Property belongings to Sri.Chennarayappa's (Sy.46) Land , West by : Land in Sy No.48, North by : Land in Sy No.45, South by : Border of Bargur Village, Item No.3 : All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted land 1). Measuring 04 Acres 05 Guntas in Sy No.48/1, 2),Measuring 00 Acres 31 Guntas in Sy No.48/2, Totally Measuring 04 Acres 36 Guntas Land,(Dully converted Vide Conversion Order No.ALNSR.69/16-17,Dated.06.05.2017) situated at Dommalur Village, Lakkur Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar District, and bounded on the; East by: Land in Sy No.47, West by : Land in Sy No.51, North by : Land in Sy No.47,South by : Land in Sy No.48/2 Item No.4 : All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted land Measuring 05 Acres 21 Guntas in Sy No.45,(Dully converted Vide Conversion Order No.ALNSR.67/16-17,Dated.06.05.2017) situated at Dommalur Village, Lakkur Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar District, and bounded on the; East by: Land in Sy No.134, West by: Land in Sy No.49, North by: Land in Sy No.44/1, South by: Land in Sy No.46. SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property residential Site bearing No.23, measuring East to West 12.19 mtrs (40 feet) and North to South 9.14 mtrs (30 feet) totally measuring 111.48 Sqmtrs (1200 Sq Ft having Village Panchayath Khatha No.207/23, Property ID No.151900802701320743 carved out of Sy.45, as per the plan sanctioned by the Malur Planning Authority vide No.MPA/VA/45/2017-18,Dated 22.07.2019,situated at Dommalur Village, Lakkur Hobali, Malur Taluk, Kolar District and bounded as follows; East by: Barguru Village Boundary, West by: 9 Meter Wide Road, North by: Site No.22,South by: 12 Meter Wide Road.**
MR.MEHERE VIJAY KRISHNA RAO MS.JYOTI MANIKRAO KHEDKAR Loan A/c No. 411900009277 Symbolic possession Date 27/04/2026	06/12/2024	**Rs. 1651062.00**	**SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY ; (As per approved Plan) : All that piece and parcel of immovable property being converted lands (i) measuring an extent of 02 Acres 05 Guntas in Sy.No.22/1, vide conversion order dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR /23/2014-15 (ii) measuring an extent of 01 Acres 05 Guntas in Sy.No.22/2, vide conversion order dated 17.10.2013 order No. ALNSR/27/2014-15 (iii) measuring an extent of 01 Acres 05 Guntas in Sy No.22/3, vide conversion dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/20/2014-15 (iv) measuring an extent of 01 Acres 18.25 Guntas in Sy No.22/4, vide conversion dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/23/2014-15 (v) measuring an extent of 01 Acres 18.25 Guntas in Sy No.22/5, vide conversion dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/27/2014-15 (vi) measuring an extent of 01 Acres 18.5 Guntas in Sy No.22/6, vide conversion dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/20/2014-15 (vii) measuring an extent of 01 Acres 14 Guntas in Sy No.29/1, vide conversion dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/25/2014-15 (viii) measuring an extent of 00 Acres 12.75 Guntas in Sy No.29/2, vide conversion dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/24/2014-15 (ix) measuring an extent of 01 Acres 15 Guntas in Sy No.29/3, vide conversion dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/26/2014-15 (x) measuring an extent of 00 Acres 12.75 Guntas in Sy No.29/4, vide conversion order dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/24/2014-15 (xi) measuring an extent of 00 Acres 12.75 Guntas in Sy No.29/5, vide conversion order dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/24/2014-15 (xii) measuring an extent of 00 Acres 12.75 Guntas in Sy No.29/6, vide conversion order dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/24/2014-15 situated at Pichaguntrahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, and (xiii) measuring an extent of 00 Acres 39 Guntas in Sy No.16/1, vide conversion order dated 17.10.2013 order No.ALN SR/31/2014-15 situated at Madanahatti Venkatapura Village, Kasba Hobli, Malur Taluk, and Bounded on the : East by: Property bearing Sy.No.19, 20, 21, 16/4 of Pichaguntrahalli Village, West by: Property bearing Sy.No.23 of Pichaguntrahalli Village, North by: Road and Sy No.27, 28, 29/1, Pichaguntrahalli Village, South by: Property bearing sy.No.15 and 16/2 of Madanahatti Venkatapur Village. SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of Plot bearing No.72, bearing VP Khata No.62/72, Property No.151900802701220054, measuring East to West: 50 feet and North to South: 30 feet and totally measuring 1500 square feet carved out of Sy.No.22/3 and Sy No.22/2 as per the plan sanctioned by the Malur Planning Authority vide No.LAO/MPA/57/2014-15, dated 28.02.2015, in the layout known as "ANISH COMMON WEALTH" situated at Pichaguntrahalli and Madanahatti Venkatapura Village, Kasba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar District and bounded as follows: East by: 30 Feet Road, West by: Plot No.91, North by: Plot No.71, South by: Plot No.73.**

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 28.04.2026

Sd/- Authorized Officer
LIC Housing Finance Limited

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to Mr. Rajendra Singh Mefawat(Aadhar-9889 9090 8207), son of Shri Jog Singh Mefawat (Tenant) last known residing in Flat No. 210, 2nd Floor, Royal Wood Apartment, JP Nagar 7th Phase, Bangalore-78 , who has abandoned the possession the Schedule Property situated at First Floor of property bearing No. 381, "RV Arcade" 9th Main, HSR Layout, Sector-7, Bengaluru. WHEREAS the said Mr. Rajendra Singh Mefawat has been absconding since the past 7 months and has failed to communicate regarding the lease or the upkeep of the said premises and is intentionally evading service of any legal notice or correspondence from the absolute owner of the Schedule property. The lease agreement has been in breach for the last 8 months as no monthly rentals have also been paid. WHEREAS it has come to the notice of the undersigned that the property is in a state of neglect and there is leakage of water in the premises; therefore, immediate intervention is required to prevent further damage to the structural integrity and fittings of the premises. NOW, THEREFORE, the said Mr. Rajendra Singh Mefawat was called upon to remove their belongings and vacant physical possession of the Schedule Property through a legal notice dated 18.04.2026 issued by the Owner's advocate. Nonetheless there has been no response, constraining the Owner to take back possession and document all or any belongings of the tenant, the tenant is hereby informed that within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice to remove their belongings if any found. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if the said Mr. Rajendra Singh Mefawat fails to comply with this notice within the stipulated period, the undersigned shall be constrained to initiate appropriate legal proceedings for recovery of pending rents, and the belongings found on the premises shall be treated as abandoned at the risk and cost of the said tenant.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of commercial space measuring approximately 1300 square feet situated in the First Floor of property bearing No. 381, BBMP Katha No. 1243/381, building known as "RV Arcade", situated at 9th Main, HSR Layout, Sector-7, Bengaluru, bounded on the: East by: BDA Site No. 405 West by: Road North by: Road South by: BDA Site No. 382 From: Owners of the schedule property

Abhinya S Advocate
Mr.G.S. Rajasekar, Mr. G. Deepak,
Mr. B.S. Venkatesh Babu,
Mr. B.V. Balaram and **Mr. B.V. Balakrishna**
Address No. 17/136.1, Gandhi Road, Madanapalle, Chitoor District, Andhra Pradesh – 517325

यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया / Union Bank of India
भारत सरकार का उपक्रम / A Government of India Undertaking

Domlur Branch No.303, 7th Cross, Domlur Layout, Bangalore -560071
Email: ubin0533122@unionbankofindia.bank.in

POSSESSION NOTICE
(See Rule 8(1) Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002) [Rule - 8 (1)]

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Union Bank of India, Domlur Branch** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **02.01.2026** calling upon the Borrower / Co-Borrower: **1.Mr.C Nagaraj,** No.71, 5th Main, Hutting Colony, Domlur Layout, Bengaluru -560071. **2.Mrs. Chandrakala .N,** No.71, 5th Main, Hutting Colony, Domlur Layout, Bengaluru -560071., to repay the amount mentioned in the notice of **Rs.5,38,313.10 (Rupees Five Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Three hundred Thirteen and Ten Paise Only) as on 23/07/2025** with interest/Charges thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rule on this **April 22nd day of the year 2026.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Domlur Branch** for an amount **Rs. 5,38,313.10 (Rupees Five Lakh Thirty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Thirteen and Ten Paise Only)** and further interest/charges thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

(Description of immovable property):

All that Property being a site bearing No.71 (Seventy one) situated at Domlur Hutting Colony Layout, Bengaluru, measuring East to West : 7.60 (Seven Point Six Zero) meters and North to South: 11.90 (Eleven point Nine Zero) meters, in all measuring 90.44 (Ninety Point Four Four) Square Meter, Together with all rights of any nature Whatsoever relating to land, Whether below the Surface or above the Surface, Including all sub-Rights, and the boundaries of the said Property as follows : East : Site No.72 (Seventy-Two), West : Road, North: Road, South : Site No.111 (one hundred and eleven).

Date: 22.04.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government Of India Undertaking)
Head Office: Bangalore

ARM-1 Branch,
2nd Floor, No.86, Spencer Tower,
M.G. Road Bengaluru-560001
Ph:080-25310066, E-mail: cb2366@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable / movable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 18.05.2026 from 10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. [with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of sale], for recovery of Rs.1,43,13,163.48/- (Rupees One Crore Fourty Three Lakhs Thirteen Thousand One Hundred Sixty Three and Paise Fourty Eight Only)** plus further interest thereon from **24.04.2026** and other expenses due to **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from (1) Mr. D R A Krishana** S/o D Raghunath, # 233,10th B Main, Near Horamavu, Ring Road Signal, Kalyan Nagar, Dodda Banaswadi, Bengaluru North-560043. **(2) Smt. Lakshmi D K** W/o D R A Krishna, # 233,10th Main, Kalyan Nagar, Dodda Banaswadi, Bengaluru North-560043.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through **RTGS/NEFT** in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **17.05.2026 - 5.00 pm.** **(₹.In Lakhs)**

Lot	Description of the immovable assets:	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value	Inspection date & time
1	The Residential Apartment Flat Bearing No.302, 2nd Floor, **"DEVI GRAND VIEW"** having SBA of 1500 Sqft. Along with right to use common areas and amenities and one car parking with undivided right, title and interest of 279.00 Sq. Ft. of property. situated at J P Nagar, Phase-7, Puttenahalli Ward-187, Sarakkikere village, Uttara Halli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk. East: Private property, West: Road, North: Site No:19, South:-By Private Property. **Coordinates of the described property: 12.53568 N, 77.34585 E**	**Rs. 52.00**	**Rs. 5.20**	**Rs. 1.00**	**10.05.2026 10.00 AM to 2.00 PM. with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer**

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, (Ph. No. 9439058121 and 9483544116, 9486092152) during office hours on any working day.

Date : 27.04.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

Injured Mbappe doubtful for Clasico

Real Madrid striker Kylian Mbappe is a doubt for the Clasico on May 10 after his club confirmed Monday he has sustained a thigh injury. "He has been diagnosed with an injury to the semitendinosus muscle in his left leg," said Los Blancos in a statement, after the France captain went off hurt during Madrid's 1-1 draw against Real Betis in La Liga last Friday.

HIT TO HEAT WAVE AS IPL LANDS IN HOT SPOT

Ongoing heat wave, thanks to Super El Nino, has brought the attention on player recovery & nutrition in the 2026 edition of the tournament

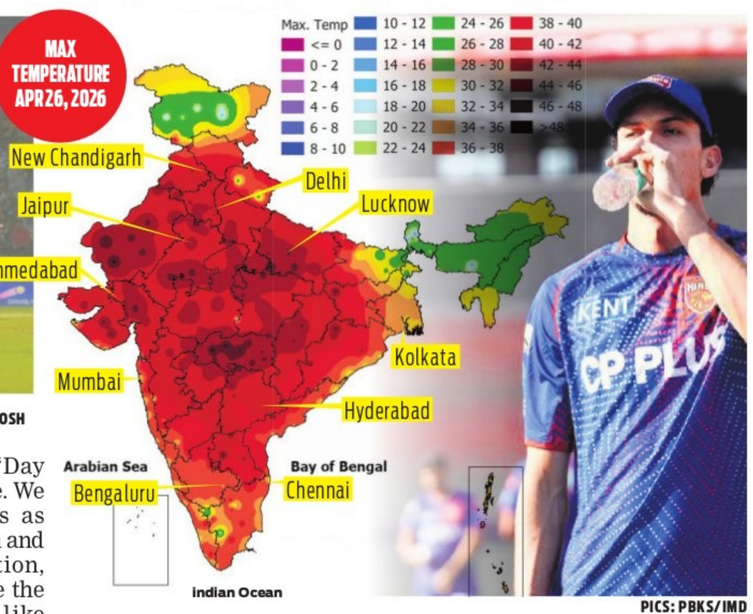
GOMESH S @Chennai

AT 4PM on Monday, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) released a public advisory titled 'Current Temperature Status and Heat Wave Warning'. It stated that most parts of the country, on Sunday, experienced temperatures ranging from 40-46*C with central India experiencing a heat wave. "Heat wave conditions very likely in some places of Vidarbha on 27th & 28th April; in isolated pockets of Jammu-Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana Chandigarh, Uttar Pradesh, West Madhya Pradesh & East Rajasthan on 27th; West Rajasthan, Odisha, Gujarat State, Rayalaseema, Chhattisgarh and north Telangana on 27th & 28th April."

Summers in India are never not hot. Two months of school holidays, coinciding with the Indian Premier League (IPL)become the norm in the last two decades during summers. This year, however, is different. Thanks to a Super El Nino effect, India is experiencing a significant rise in temperature. It has affected a lot of demographics and has had its effect on the IPL as well. Take New Delhi, where Delhi Capitals played Royal Challengers Bengaluru on Monday. Delhi saw an appreciably above normal (3.1°C to 5.0°C) temperatures on Sunday with the nights also expected to be warmer (33*C on Monday night). On the field, a little after Josh Hazlewood and Bhuvneshwar Kumar ran through the DC top-order, a dust/sand storm (because of severe heat) interrupted the play. On Tuesday, where Punjab Kings are set to play Rajasthan Royals in New Chandigarh, 'Heat wave conditions' warnings have been given by the IMD.

Travelling every two days on average and playing day games are not new to the IPL teams. But it comes with its own challenges and precautions taken by support staff, and to an extent the players themselves. "Day games are tough, I won't lie. We obviously treat the guys as adults and we educate them and advise them about hydration, making sure that they take the basic fundamental steps like making sure they are urinating regularly and it's relatively clear before the match starts. We don't overhydrate, it's a tough one because there's a thing called hyponatremia where you drink too much and you get rid of your salts. We also use, for some guys who do tend to cramp easily, like a salt drink (pickle juice), prophylactically basically before cramping occurs ," PBKS Physiotherapy Consultant Andrew Leipus told this daily.

DC & RCB players cover eyes during a brief sandstorm in New Delhi | SAYANTAN GHOSH



PICS: PBKS/IMD

Avoiding early departure

Teams also try not to arrive too early to the ground. "When guys arrive, within five minutes they're out on the ground throwing down and having a run around. We try and push that out as long as we can so they are not exposed to those temperatures for too long, which also means that our warm-up's a little bit quicker. We use the ice towels, the ice neck wraps as well for those guys who like them. Some guys don't like them, but we try and cool the guys' core body temperatures, especially the guys who have been out there in the middle," Leipus explained, adding that the 12th man, who is also educated on the proceedings, plays a crucial role.

Recovery, personalisation of diet and individual focus are also key as in a tournament like IPL. Nicole Linhares, health coach and nutritionist of PBKS, felt that their work starts 24-48 hours before the match. "Every player has different sweat rates, sodium losses and different hydration needs. I try to individualise their hydration accordingly, speaking to their physio, S&C coaches, understanding what their output is. We prepare personalised hydration stacks, whether that's electrolytes, carb-based drinks, homemade isotonic drinks or even coconut water whenever available to us. I try to make sure they are delivered to the players at timely intervals, sometimes outside their rooms, before team departures or meetings or at practice," Linhares told this daily. "On hot game days, we try to focus on easy-to-digest meals that are high in carbs for energy, not so much on protein. We also try to use local foods in different cities that naturally help with cooling and hydration," she added.

It is a relief to the players and teams that there are no day games till Saturday allowing the heat wave to pass. However, the maximum temperature is only expected to increase barring the rainfall in certain regions. And the onus will remain on the support staff and players to keep hydrated and healthy for them to stay on the field for 40 overs.

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KINGS TEST FOR ROYALS

Punjab Kings, in top place, face Rajasthan Royals, one of the season's surprise package. Here's a look...

PBKS openers vs RR pacers

Punjab owe a lot of their success to their quick-starting duo of Prabhsimran Singh and Priyansh Arya. Rajasthan know Nandre Burger and Jofra Archer have been able to a lot out of normally unresponsive surfaces. Between them, they have picked up 21 wickets. The winner of this duel will be able to seize the initiative rather quickly.

PBKS middle-order's lack of playing time

Last year's finalists may be a few victtories away from guaranteeing a spot in the next phase of the league but their middle-order haven't had significant time in the middle. The triumvirate of Shashank Singh, Marcus Stoinis and Nehal Wadhera have, between themselves, scored fewer than 200 runs. Will the franchise look at ways to giving them more time?

PBKS vs RR, New Chandigarh, 7.30PM Live on Star Sports and JioHotstar,

Royal Challengers Bengaluru's Bhuvneswar Kumar celebrates a wicket against Delhi Capitals on Monday | SAYANTAN GHOSH

Hazlewood & Bhuvi create a storm as RCB coast to victory

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @Bengaluru

ON most days of the week, the bowlers seem to be on borrowed time in the T20 format. Almost an irrelevance, unwilling participants to maximums and big scores on placid tracks in small grounds. The batters — right from a prodigious 15-year-old to former Test specialists — all saying one common theme. "They have come to watch us bat." Or something like that.

Every now and then, though, they fight back. Raging against the content machine of highlights reels where sixes are on an endless loop.

It's why days like Monday ought to be bottled and sold in the supermarkets. For over 40 minutes in the capital from half-past seven, a Test match on a green seamer was casually played out. More Dunedin than Delhi. Josh Hazlewood could have been wearing his Australia whites. Bhuvneshwar Kumar could have been bowling with the red ball. The Delhi Capitals batters, who lost two wickets across 120 legitimate deliveries in their previous match, were 6/8 after 3.5 overs. In a record-breaking encounter at the same venue against Punjab Kings, over 510 runs were scored. On Monday, the hosts, asked to bat first by Royal Challengers Bengaluru, made 75 in 16.3 overs. Did the pitch have any demons? Not really, there was some movement on offer and that's all Hazlewood and Bhuvneshwar needed. Debutant Sahil Parakh lost his stumps thanks to a wicked delivery from the latter. It moved in late before cleaning out the stumps second ball of the match.

Hazlewood, who has the capacity to hurry the best of batters, found one to climb wickedly. It hurried to KL Rahul who had shaped to pull it. The end result was a miscued pull to the wicket-keeper. One ball later, 2/2 had become 2/3. It was a classic Hazlewood Test match trick. Full, wide and inviting Sameer Rizvi to go for an expansive drive. Rizvi obliged but only ended up giving a catch to the keeper. From the other end, Bhuvneshwar returned to remove both Tristan Stubbs and Axar Patel in the next over; both were outside edges to deliveries leaving the batter after pitching. The first five wickets, though, were appetisers to the Michelin star dish that was the sixth wicket in a fever dream of a powerplay. Hazlewood, on for a third consecutive over, landed on his area of the pitch — back of a length. It pitched and did two things at one. It moved back in while also climbing up to Nitish Rana's midriff.

Rana, hands and bat in a different postcode, didn't know what to do and let the inevitable happen. The ball smashed into the gloves before ballooning up. Devdutt Padikkal completed the catch in the cordon.

Later, RCB batters made it seem like they were playing in a different surface, ensuring the win with nine wickets and 81 balls to spare. **Brief scores:** DC 75 in 16.3 ovs (Porel 30, Bhuvneshwar 3/5, Hazlewood 4/12) **lost to** RCB 77/1 in 6.3 ovs (Padikkal 34 n.o, Kohli 23 n.o).

Full story: newindianexpress.com

DEFENDING CHAMPS FACE LITMUS TEST

Enrique's star burns bright

There was a point of time when the culture at PSG prevented them from achieving success in Europe. That changed after Luis Enrique became coach. Their recruitment changed as they tore up the existing book on transfers. And the proof is for the football world to see as they have brought on board younger players capable of showcasing their quality but within the team structure.

HOLDERS PSG TAKE ON BAYERN MUNICH IN THE FIRST LEG OF THE CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SEMIFINAL ON TUESDAY. A LOOK AT WHAT PROMISES TO BE A MATCH FILLED WITH FLAIR...

Kane, Kvaratskhelia lead the way

Both teams have caught the eye in Europe for their attacking patterns and individual quality in the final. One look at the numbers tells you why. Combined, they have scored over 200 goals in all competitions this season. So, expect a lot of attacking quality over the two goals with the match being decided by the odd goal in seven or something like that.

8

Kvaratskhelia has eight goals in Europe this season

3

PSG have the chance to advance to their European final since 2020

Bayern chase treble

When Bayern Munich appointed Vincent Kompany, whose previous gig saw him in charge of relegated Burnley, eyebrows were raised. But the former Belgian defender has clearly raised the bar in Bavaria. And, now, very soon into his coaching career, he has a chance of achieving a treble. He has already led his team to victory in the Bundesliga and is in the final of the local Cup (DFB-Pokal).

LIVE ON SONY SPORTS NETWORKS, 12.30 AM ON WEDNESDAY

Sabalenka downs Osaka in Madrid

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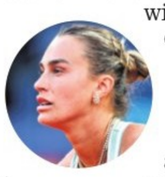
WORLD NO 1 Aryna Sabalenka overcame Naomi Osaka 6-7 (1), 6-3, 6-2 in a gripping battle on Monday to reach the Madrid Open quarterfinals.

Sabalenka, who has claimed titles at Miami, Indian Wells and Brisbane this year, was tested by her Japanese opponent in the fourth-round clash but came back from a set and a break down to triumph.

"I was just trying to take one ball at a time and my team was there for me, they really (pushed) me to keep fighting, and I'm really happy that I didn't give up and I was pushing until the very last point," said Sabalenka. The first set between the two four-time Grand Slam winners was tight, with only one break point forced, by Sabalenka, which Osaka saved to hold for 2-1.



Osaka dominated in the tie-break, ripping into a 5-0 lead and then triumphing when Sabalenka lashed a return wide.Sabalenka stepped up a gear in the second frame, although world number 15 Osaka dug deep to survive three break points and then managed to engineer a break for herself to take a 2-1 lead.

However, the Belarusian immediately broke to love and then again in the eighth game, serving out to take the second set. Only Elena Rybakina has beaten Sabalenka this year, in the Australian Open final, and the 27-year-old dominated in the third set, securing breaks in the fifth and seventh games while Osaka could not put pressure on her opponent's serve.

Sabalenka sealed her victory serving to love with an ace to reach the last eight, where she will face American Hailey Baptiste.

BADMINTON

Thomas Cup: Lakshya & Co blank Australia 5-0, book quarters berth

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

THE India men's badminton team secured a spot in the quarterfinals of the ongoing Thomas Cup at Horsens, Denmark on Monday. The shuttlers blanked Australia 5-0 in their group stage meeting to post their second victory so far.

Lakshya Sen, who lost against Canada's Victor Lai in the opening match, was the first man on the court for India. He had no problems dispatching Ephraim Stephen Sam (21-14, 21-16) to hand the team a perfect start. In-form Ayush Shetty, who recently captured a silver medal at the Asian Championships, then put up a clinical show against Shrey Dhand in the second men's singles tie to hand the team a 2-0 lead.

The men's doubles combination of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty then won the first men's doubles contest to confirm India's success. Later, HS Prannoy (third men's singles) and the pairing of Hariharan Amsakarunan and MR Arjun put icing on the cake by winning their respective matches.

Now, the men's team will face a stiff challenge as they'll be up against China in their final match of the group stage. Whosoever wins that tie, which is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, will finish as group toppers, thereby setting themselves with a chance to get a favourable draw in the last-eight stage. China beat Canda 4-1 in their second round match. Shi Yu Qi, World No 1, handed a walkover against Lai. China went on to clinch all the other ties to seal the win.

Earlier in the opening game on Friday, the Indian men's team had beaten Canada 4-1. Barring Lakshya, all the other players had won their respective ties to help India get over the line. Kidambi Srikanth had featured in the third singles instead of Prannoy then.

The women's team, meanwhile, were scheduled to face China later in the corresponding Uber Cup on Monday. It was supposed to be a must-win tie for the women as they had lost against Denmark in their opening tie before keeping their hopes alive with a comprehensive win over Ukraine. The top-two sides from each group will advance to the quarterfinals.

Results: Men: India **bt** Australia 5-0 (Lakshya Sen **bt** Ephraim Stephen Sam 21-14, 21-16; Ayush Shetty **bt** Shrey Dhand 21-8, 21-6; Satwiksairaj Rankireddy/Chirag Shetty **bt** Rizky Hidayat/Jack Yu 21-14, 21-16; HS Prannoy **bt** Rishi Honda Boopathy 21-11, 21-17; Hariharan Amsakarunan/MR Arjun **bt** Andika Ramadiansyah/Sam 21-12, 21-10).

Satwiksairaj Rankireddy & Chirag Shetty in action on Monday | BADMINTON PHOTO

EXPRESS READ

Lifter Mirabai to miss Asian Championships

NEW DELHI: Indian weightlifter Mirabai Chanu is set to miss the rescheduled Asian Championships in Gandhinagar next month due to a shoulder injury. The Tokyo Olympics silver medallist and former world champion had sustained the injury during the national championships in February. Komal Kohar is likely to take Chanu's place in the team. The Asian meet, originally slated for April 1 to 10, had been pushed back by over a month due to the ongoing conflict in West Asia that began with US and Israeli strikes on Iran. It will mark the first time that India is hosting the senior continental meet.

Delhi HC lets AITA's 2024 poll results stand

NEW DELHI: The Delhi High Court on Monday allowed the results of the All India Tennis Association (AITA) elections held on September 28, 2024, to stand, but directed that the elected body will function only as an interim arrangement under the supervision of a court-appointed Administrator, former Chief Justice Gita Mittal. In its order, Justice Mini Pushkarna made it clear that while the outcome of the 2024 elections will not be disturbed at this stage, the executive committee will operate in a limited capacity and remain subject to the oversight of Justice (Retd.) Mittal.

Racer Johann captures QSTK 600 C'ship

CHENNAI: India's Johann Emmanuel, astride a Kawasaki ZX-6, scripted history by becoming the first from his country to win the coveted Qatar Superstock 600 Championship (QSTK) by winning both the races in the postponed final round to provide a grand climax to his debut season in this class. The 19-year-old Chennai-based Johann, trailing championship leader Marton Belleli from Hungary by nine points going into the weekend's double-header, needed to win both races to seal the title and he delivered in a stunning fashion.

Wolvaardt powers SA to 4-1 series win over India

BENONI (SOUTH AFTICA): India suffered yet another batting meltdown in a 156-run chase as South Africa rode on skipper Laura Wolvaardt's unbeaten 92 to clinch a 23-run win and seal the Women's T20I series 4-1. Wolvaardt struck 11 fours and two sixes in her 56-ball knock, carrying her bat despite wickets falling around her.Her late flourish — two sixes off the final two balls — lifted South Africa past the 150-mark after a middle-overs slowdown. In reply, India were restricted to 132 for eight, with their experienced batters once again failing to deliver.

Inhalers remain the most effective and safest tool available for managing asthma. Unlike tablets, which are absorbed into the bloodstream and affect the entire body, inhaled medication travels directly to the airways

COMMON TRIGGERS

ENVIRONMENTAL
- Dust mites
- Pollen (trees, grass, weeds)
- Pet dander and fur
- Mould and fungal spores
- Air pollution (PM2.5, vehicle exhaust)
- Construction and silica dust
- Smoke (cigarette, incense, candles, mosquito coils)
- Strong smells and chemical fumes

PHYSICAL / PHYSIOLOGICAL
- Gastric reflux (GERD)
- Exercise (especially sudden, high-intensity activity)
- Respiratory infections (flu, cold, pneumonia)
- Cold or dry air

PSYCHOLOGICAL / LIFESTYLE
- Stress and strong emotions
- Certain medications (aspirin, beta-blockers)
- Food additives and preservatives (in some patients)
- High humidity or sudden weather changes

SYMPTOMS TO RECOGNISE

- Shortness of breath, especially at night or early morning
- Wheezing (a whistling sound while breathing)
- Fatigue from disrupted sleep
- Persistent dry cough, often worse at night
- Difficulty completing sentences during an episode
- Chest tightness or pressure

DIAGNOSIS

Spirometry: Measures how much and how fast air is exhaled (key test)

Peak flow meter: Monitors lung function at home over time

Bronchodilator reversibility test: Checks if airways open with inhaled medicine

Allergy testing — To identify specific triggers

Chest X-ray — To rule out other conditions

FeNO test — Measures airway inflammation

TYPES OF INHALERS

METERED DOSE INHALER OR MDI (PRESSURISED SPRAY)

CORRECT TECHNIQUE
- Shake well before every use
- Exhale fully before bringing inhaler to mouth
- Press canister and breathe in slowly and simultaneously
- Hold breath for 10 full seconds after inhalation
- Wait 30-60 seconds between puffs
- Use a spacer device for better delivery
- Check dose counter: Do not use an empty inhaler

COMMON MISTAKES
- Not shaking before use (medicine and propellant separate)
- Poor hand-mouth coordination (pressing too early or too late)
- Multiple puffs in rapid succession without waiting
- Not holding breath after inhalation
- Continuing to use an empty inhaler

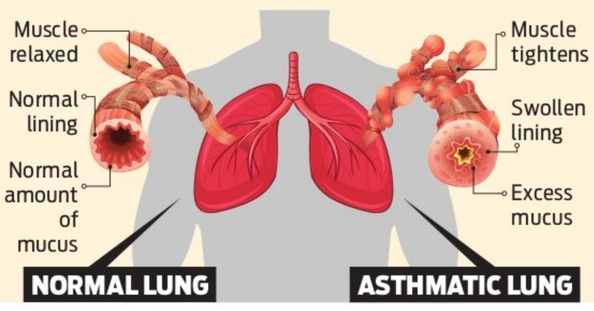
DRY POWDER INHALER OR DPI (CAPSULE-BASED)

CORRECT TECHNIQUE
- Load and properly pierce or break the capsule
- Exhale away from the device (never into it)
- Seal lips tightly around the mouthpiece
- Inhale steadily and deeply — not too fast, not too slow
- Hold breath for 5–10 seconds after inhalation
- Keep the device dry at all times

COMMON MISTAKES
- Inhaling too fast or too slow
- Exhaling into the device (ruins the dose)
- Failing to pierce or break the capsule
- Loose lip seal around mouthpiece
- Storing in damp or humid conditions

WHAT IS ASTHMA?

- A chronic condition where airways become inflamed, narrowed, and produce excess mucus
- Makes breathing difficult — particularly exhaling
- Not curable, but highly manageable with the right treatment



THREE CORE MECHANISMS

Inflammation: Airways swell and become hypersensitive

Bronchoconstriction: Muscles around airways tighten and squeeze

Mucus overproduction: Thick secretions block airflow

WHO ARE AT RISK

300 MILLION+
PEOPLE WORLDWIDE LIVE WITH ASTHMA

- Can begin at any age — childhood onset is most common
- More common in urban environments due to pollution
- Allergies (allergic rhinitis, eczema) frequently co-exist with asthma
- Genetic predisposition increases risk
- Many world-class athletes and Olympians have asthma and compete at the highest level

ASTHMA

DON'T COMPROMISE, LIVE LIFE IN FULL

With proactive care and modern medicine to manage symptoms arising from environmental and physiological factors, people with asthma can live a normal life

UNNIKRISHNAN S @T'Puram

FOR 34-year-old Vivek Kiran, a marketing executive, the daily commute to his office in Thiruvananthapuram isn't measured in kilometres, but in the deliberate rhythm of his breath. While other commuters briskly navigate the foot overbridge at Thiruvananthapuram Central to catch the return train to Kollam, Vivek pauses halfway across. To a casual observer, he appears to be checking his phone. In reality, he is waiting for the tightening sensation in his chest to subside, calculating the metabolic cost of the next 20 steps. This is the quiet, rhythmic negotiation of life with asthma, a condition that transforms the mundane architecture of daily life into a series of calculated risks.

Asthma is often publicly perceived through the lens of the acute crisis, yet for millions, the true burden lies in the "invisible middle" — the daily, low-grade burden between acute attacks. It is a persistent shadow that dictates how fast one walks or whether a social invitation is accepted. Much of the struggle remains hidden, quietly shaping daily choices and confidence. Dr Arjun P, senior consultant in pulmonology at KIMSHEALTH, Thiruvananthapuram, notes that these challenges are relentless. "Patients often struggle with routine tasks like climbing stairs in multi-story homes in cities, where chest tightness strikes unexpectedly, limiting work, school, and family time," he explains.

The local environment plays a significant role in this struggle, particularly in a coastal city like Thiruvananthapuram. Vivek often finds that his symptoms worsen during the monsoon or on particularly humid mornings. Dr Arjun highlights that India's tropical climate significantly amplifies these woes. "High humidity in coastal areas fosters mould and house dust mites in homes, triggering attacks," he says. He also warns of triggers specific to modern urban living: "In high-rise buildings and apartments, pigeons are a major source of allergy. Lush greenery releases pollen from coconut palms and rubber trees, while urban pollution irritates airways."

This physical battle is frequently compounded by social and psychological barriers. Dr PS Shajahan, professor and head of pulmonary medicine at Government Medical College Kollam, who treats a high volume of coastal Kerala patients, observes that a significant stigma still surrounds the diagnosis. "There remains a significant social stigma surrounding asthma and its treatment," Dr Shajahan explains. "Many patients are hesitant to even admit they have the condition to their doctors. This is likely because the primary symptom — shortness of breath — carries a heavy emotional burden. Instead of acknowledging asthma, many patients minimise their struggle, describing it as a 'persistent cold' or 'recurrent phlegm' that simply won't go away."

ILLUSTRATION: MANDAR PARDIKAR

For Vivek, this minimisation became a way of life until it began to erode his confidence. He recalls skipping office cricket matches or avoiding the stairs in his apartment complex, fearing the judgement of peers who might view his breathlessness as a lack of fitness. Dr Shajahan points out that the origins of such struggles are increasingly complex. "While genetics and allergies are the primary causes of asthma, the disease can also manifest in individuals with no family history," he says. "Our modern living conditions and daily environmental exposures are major contributing factors that can trigger the onset of the condition."

Beyond stigma, treatment is further complicated by deeply rooted cultural beliefs about diet. Vivek spent years avoiding curd and citrus fruits, believing they caused mucus buildup, which only left him feeling more fatigued. Dr Shajahan clarifies that these restrictions are largely unnecessary. "Contrary to the popular myth that certain foods 'create phlegm,' asthma patients do not need to restrict their diet unless they have a documented food allergy," he notes. While artificial colourings or very cold foods during a flare-up can be triggers, "many patients inadvertently compromise their overall health by avoiding nutrient-rich foods out of a misplaced fear."

The path to reclaiming a normal life requires moving beyond the "just adjust" mentality. Modern medicine provides the tools to manage these environmental and physiological hurdles, but it requires proactive care. Dr Shajahan warns that ignoring the condition is a "dangerous mistake," as no one should have to suffer through treatable symptoms.

Today, Vivek still pauses on the bridge, but now he counts his breaths not with dread, but with the calm of someone who finally knows what he's managing.

LIFESTYLE MODIFICATIONS

EXERCISE AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
- Do not avoid exercise — staying active strengthens lungs
- Warm up for 10–15 minutes before any strenuous activity
- Start with low-intensity activity (walking, light jogging)
- Use rescue inhaler 15–20 minutes before exercise if prone to symptoms
- Avoid exercising during active flare-ups
- Choose swimming — warm, humid air is easier on airways
- Avoid exercising outdoors on high-pollution days

INDOOR AIR QUALITY
- Do not burn incense sticks, candles, or mosquito coils indoors
- Do not burn incense sticks, candles, or mosquito coils indoors
- Use exhaust fans while cooking
- Keep bathrooms and kitchens ventilated
- Use dehumidifiers in damp or high-humidity rooms
- Dust with damp microfiber cloths — never dry dust (aerosolises particles)
- Use wet mopping on hard floors
- Follow a no-shoes policy indoors
- Keep windows closed during high-pollen periods

OUTDOOR AIR QUALITY
- Avoid outdoor activity when AQI is poor
- Cloth, surgical masks do not protect against PM2.5
- Use a properly fitted N95 mask in high-pollution environments
- Exercise away from busy roads and industrial areas and workplace
- Vacuum regularly with a HEPA filter vacuum cleaner
- Wash bedding weekly
- Avoid strong-smelling cleaning products and air fresheners

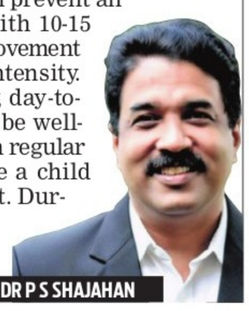
'Kids with asthma should play sports, it improves lung muscles, capacity'

RISING pollution levels, rapid urban construction and a persistent tendency to manage chronic conditions like asthma at home, sometimes with the wrong tools. is putting lung health under pressure from multiple directions at once, says Dr PS Shajahan, professor and head of pulmonary medicine at Government Medical College, Kollam, in an interview with **Unnikrishnan S**. Edited excerpts:

■ Home nebulizers are becoming common. Are they necessary?
Not at all. Nebulizers are appropriate only for specific situations – patients who cannot use inhalers despite repeated training, those with severe asthma or advanced COPD, or as an emergency backup. The real danger is that a nebulizer offers temporary relief while the underlying condition quietly worsens. That false sense of security has caused patients to delay seeking care until they are critically ill. Unsupervised use is particularly dangerous in children, and has been a factor in asthma-related child deaths. There is also a hygiene risk, improperly cleaned nebulizers can harbour microbes and cause serious lung infections.

■ What should city residents with lung conditions know about air pollution?
Check the Air Quality Index (AQI) every day before stepping out. When it is poor, stay indoors. Cloth and surgical masks offer no real protection against fine particulate matter (PM2.5) which is the most harmful outdoor pollutant. A properly fitted N95 helps in heavily polluted environments. Indoors, avoid burning incense, candles, or mosquito coils, and use exhaust fans while cooking. One overlooked risk: exercising outdoors on high-pollution days. Deeper breathing during exercise draws more polluted air into the lungs.

■ Can children with asthma play sports?
Not only can they play — they should. Physical activity strengthens respiratory muscles and improves lung capacity. Many elite athletes, including Olympians, have asthma and compete at the highest level. For children prone to exercise-induced symptoms, one or two puffs of a rescue inhaler taken 15-20 minutes before activity can prevent an episode. Begin with 10-15 minutes of light movement before building intensity. Most importantly, day-to-day asthma must be well-controlled through regular medication before a child takes up any sport. During a flare-up, rest is the right call.



INTERVIEW DR P S SHAJAHAN

INHALER IS YOUR BFF, DON'T LEAVE IT AT HOME

XPLAINER

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ANVI Jose was 19, midway through her first year of engineering at a college in Kottayam, when a particularly humid monsoon morning triggered the worst asthma attack she had experienced in years. Her rescue inhaler was in her hostel room. By the time her roommate fetched it, she was already in the poly clinic near the college, struggling to speak. What made the episode worse, her doctors later told her family, was not just that the inhaler was absent , it was that Anvi had been using it incorrectly all this while.

Her story is a common one, reflecting a broader public health challenge where misinformation often keeps the most effective treatment at arm's length. Across India, millions of asthma patients carry inhalers they barely understand, use incorrectly, or avoid altogether out of embarrassment. The consequences range from poorly controlled symptoms to hospitalisation and, in the worst cases, death.

Inhalers remain the most effective and safest tool available for managing asthma. Unlike tablets, which are absorbed into the bloodstream and affect the entire body, inhaled medication travels directly to the airways. "The dose is minimal with lesser side effects," explains Dr PS Shajahan. "It is just like using ointments for skin conditions or eye drops for ophthalmic issues — targeted drug delivery, giving drugs only to areas where the disease is."

But the device only works when used properly, and that is where India faces a serious gap.

Dr Arjun P, senior consultant in pulmonology at KIMSHEALTH Thiruvananthapuram, says the scale of the problem is stark. Errors in technique are seen in over 50% of cases in the region, he notes, and the fallout is serious – poor inhaler use leads to uncontrolled asthma, frequent hospital visits, reduced lung function, and higher mortality.

When Anvi was first prescribed a daily preventive inhaler at 14, she quietly stopped using it after a few months. She worried her classmates would think she was chronically ill. Her parents fretted that she might become "dependent" on it. These are anxieties that doctors encounter constantly.

"Inhaler stigma is very common in India, even among highly educated patients," says Dr Shajahan. He draws an analogy that cuts through the fear most effectively: needing a long-term inhaler for asthma is no different from wearing spectacles to see clearly, or using insulin for diabetes. "No one says they are addicted to spectacles or insulin."

The prolonged need for inhalers, he emphasises, reflects the chronic nature of asthma, not any habit-forming quality of the medicine.

There are also patients who turn to unproven remedies, including the fish-swallowing practice still prevalent in parts of India, driven by a belief that modern medicines carry dangerous side effects. Dr Shajahan is direct – the treatment for asthma has vastly improved with inhaled medicines, and the safety profile of inhaled drugs is considerably better than oral alternatives.

Dr Arjun advocates for structured patient education programmes, led by doctors, nurses, or respiratory therapists, that go beyond simply handing a device to a patient. Patients need to learn correct technique, understand how to avoid triggers, manage humidity at home using dehumidifiers, and even dispose of used inhalers responsibly. Vaccination against influenza and pneumonia, he adds, is strongly recommended for all asthma patients.

Anvi's inhaler now follows her everywhere in her bag. After a session with a respiratory therapist who walked her through her technique step by step, she realised she had been firing the spray a half-second too late, and never holding her breath long enough. A simple correction. A significant difference.

THE GOLD STANDARD
- Inhalers aid in targeted drug delivery — medicine goes exactly where the disease is
- Akin to wearing spectacles or using insulin — a necessity, not a dependency
- Long-term use reflects the chronic nature of asthma — not addiction
- Like using eye drops for eyes, or ointment for skin

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1st space tourist

In 2001, American multimillionaire Dennis Tito became the world's first self-funded space tourist

TRAINING

Tito paid $20m for his eight days in space and to prepare for the launch, he was trained in a centrifuge, which exposed him to eight times the force of earth's gravity

OBJECTION

NASA objected to his mission but they relented after Tito signed agreements indemnifying NASA in the event of injury or death

LEGACY

This historic flight, facilitated by the private firm Space Adventures, marked the beginning of commercial human spaceflight

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A VOID FRAME

Photographer, mentor, legend. Raghu Rai showed us that photography could be both a pursuit of truth and high art. His images leave behind an archive and a documentation of India so profound that we will see the world through his eyes for generations to come. His pan-India fraternity pays tribute

Abhishek Poddar, founder, MAP

Raghu ji was one of the greatest photographers of all time, not just from India but from across the world. He came into my life about 40 years ago and more permanently about 20 years ago. I recall when we opened Tasveer (the photography gallery) exactly 20 years ago in 2006, he was very gracious and agreed to open the exhibition. It was hugely successful because until then, photography was seen as more of a photojournalistic medium that was to be experienced in magazines and newspapers. To see photographs in a gallery, and have them available, was a completely new idea at the time in India. Later, when we were starting MAP, we were lucky to have acquired the only collection of vintage prints he had with him. I remember once when I asked him how come he had taken so many amazing pictures and the composition was always so perfect, he told me that when you are so persistent, then even God comes to your help and says, 'ok, here you are, you can have it.'

Ketaki Sheth, photographer

My husband, Aurobind Patel (Auro), and I were fortunate to have known Raghu as both a friend and a photographer for years. For us, the loss is a personal one, even as we celebrate his great life and distinction as a world-renowned photographer. His warmth, spontaneity, love for music, gardening and cooking are also qualities we will remember him for. As a photographer myself, we shared many experiences and even the same gallerist and publisher of our books. His legacy will remain forever. It will continue in the work of his daughter, Avani. We will miss him.

G Venket Ram, photographer

He was one of the first Indian photojournalists to gain recognition and was nominated to join the Magnum Photos in the 1970s. Magnum Photos is a collective where other photographers must recommend you, which was a very big deal then and still is. I have met him a couple of times in Chennai during his talks. He showed me that photography is about being aware of your surroundings – your culture and the people around you – and finding something meaningful within the confusion. He once told me that the world is like a hundred or a thousand theatres around you, with a thousand films being screened, and it is up to you to choose which movie interests you, compose it, and tell a story.

Vicky Roy, photographer

Raghu sir was an exceptionally generous soul who enriched our Rang Open Library by contributing his books, one at a time. Every time I met him, he would gently say, 'Munna, photo khinchte rehna,' affectionately placing his palm on my face – a gesture filled with warmth, guidance and quiet belief.

Aurobind Patel, designer

We worked closely between 1982 and '87 in a media publication – I was the design director and Raghu was the photo editor. Raghu's images captured journalistic moments with an artistic eye. We shared a loving and irreverent friendship. I will miss Raghu for many things – among them, how to admire rain clouds and the smell of a parched earth doused by first rains. I was initiated into this practice on the rooftop of our office, where he would drag me to share the experience.

Aquin Mathews, director, Indian Photo Festival

Mr Rai was more than a photographer; he was the visual conscience of a nation. He challenged every one of us to look deeper and feel more. I have always felt that while others take photos, Mr Rai lived them. His legacy isn't just in the archives he leaves behind, but in the way he taught us that photography is an act of love and a pursuit of truth. I remember a talk he gave at the festival where the room was packed to the doors. When someone asked about the 'perfect' camera settings, he just laughed and brushed the technicalities aside. "Don't let the camera stand between you and the world," he said. "If you're feeling it, the camera will find it." It wasn't a formal lecture; it just felt like he was sharing a piece of himself with everyone there.

Amar Ramesh, photographer

In 1972, he had already won the Padma Shri. After that, he continued shooting for almost 53 years. That's (Padma Award) something you receive after accomplishing so much, and yet he kept going. If you want to know how India existed in the '60s, '70s, and '80s, it is through his pictures. It is a documentation of India itself. I have never seen any other photographer who lives with the camera as he did, except when he was sleeping. Even while eating, the camera was with him. He would constantly shoot, shoot and shoot. At 83, his energy was matchless. During our six days with him exploring the temples of Tamil Nadu, while all of us would rest in the car, he would still be shooting – from inside the car, creating amazing images.

Subarna Patro, curator, National Gallery of Modern Art

Though I'm from Delhi, I never had the chance to meet him in person. I did, however, speak to him several times over the phone. The last time we connected, I had invited him to a photographic exhibition, but he couldn't attend due to a date clash. I did have the opportunity to work with his wife, (conservation) architect Gurmeet Sangha Rai, who once invited me home to meet him over a cup of tea, something I'll cherish, even if it didn't materialise. We will never have another Raghu Rai. It is truly a major loss. It wouldn't be wrong to call him the father of modern art. Photography, for him, was a defining artistic tool. It allowed him to express his inner thoughts. Today, while everyone can take pictures on their phones and many young photographers are doing impressive work, many lack sadhana, a deep dedication to the craft. Like painting or writing, it takes time and discipline. I own a few of his frames, including a touching one from the Bhopal Gas Tragedy of a dead baby wrapped in white cloth.

Kishor Krishnamoorthi, contemporary wedding and documentary photographer

I personally know friends who recently worked with him. They are significantly younger in age, but said they were unable to keep up with his energy levels when shooting in the streets. He has photographed all parts of the country, and his work has helped permanently capture various timelines and places that would otherwise have been forgotten. Many of the younger generations will be able to witness the India of the past only through his photographs. My personal favourite series of his is on Indira Gandhi. He had unprecedented access and created stunning photographs of the nation's leader.

K R Sunil, visual artist

I joined the College of Fine Arts in Thrissur to study art. Around that time, my friend Krishnakumar, who was also a mentor to me, introduced me to the works of Steve McCurry and Raghu Rai. Their approach, the life within their frames, the depth and the possibilities that only photography can offer connected with me in a very real way. It was a moment of realisation for me that photography has the power to capture human life so deeply. And that gradually led me from fine arts towards photography. Once that door opened, I started searching for more. Whenever I entered a bookstore, I would instinctively pick up books by photographers like Rai. Even when I couldn't afford them, I would spend hours there, just sitting with those books, going through the pages slowly. That experience influenced me very much. There are many great photographers in the world. But what made Rai stand out to me was the intensity of life in his images. Sometimes, a single frame would hold multiple lives. There was always a strong sense of presence. It felt almost like magic.

Masood Hussain, wildlife photographer

The passing of Raghu Rai feels deeply personal to anyone who has ever looked at photography as more than just an image. For me, his photographs were never meant to be merely seen – they demanded to be read, to be felt, to be understood. From documenting defining moments like the Bhopal Gas Tragedy to capturing the essence of India's streets, people and spirit, his work remains timeless. He shaped not just how I viewed photography, but how I understood storytelling itself. He has left behind a legacy. His photographs will continue to speak. The legend will continue to live.

(Inputs by Paramita Ghosh, Reshmi Chakravorty, Sruthi Hemachandran, Mahima Nagaraju, Tejal Sinha, Rakshitha Priya G, Parvana K B)

CITY READ

Dance festival & award ceremony on May 2

Shristi Centre of Performing Arts and Institute of Dance Therapy is organising the Marayao Memorial Festival and conferring the Marayao Memorial Award on May 2 at Ravindra Kalakshetra, JC Road. Lighting expert and theatre artist Chandrakumar Singh will be presented with the Maya Rao Memorial Award by Shivraj Thangadgi, Minister of Kannada and Culture. The other guests include journalist Hunasavadi Rajan, actor Girija Lokesh, Kuchipudi dancer Vyjayanti Kashi and more. The event will feature dance performances by the Shivapriya School of Dance, led by Sanjay Shantaram. For details, contact 98456 98089 (AV Satyanarayana).

Series of tasting sessions to mark World Whisky Day

A series of guided tasting sessions marking World Whisky Day will be hosted at The Good Craft Co. Flavour Lab, Whitefield, focusing on Indian whisky and global spirits. The event will be held on May 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 4pm to 6.30pm. The sessions are limited to 12 participants each and require prior registration. The 'Spirit in Focus: The Indian Whisky Story', will examine the evolution of Indian whisky, covering production methods, maturation and flavour profiles through guided tastings. A separate session on May 16, led by Ishrat Kaur, will explore tequila, tracing its origins, craft and contemporary consumption. Together, the programme combines technical insight with tasting-led discussions, reflecting a growing love for whisky.

EAST POINT GROUP OF INSTITUTIONS

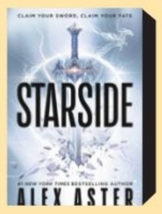
HIT WAVES

Singer Sunidhi Chauhan lit up the city with a powerful live performance, moving seamlessly between high-energy tracks and melodies, which kept the audience locked in

BOOK NOOK

Porcupines
by Fran Fabriczki

In a world filled with emotions and family, secrets unravel as they confront their vulnerabilities. The book captures the rich, complex, and heartfelt relationships between sisters, mothers and daughters.

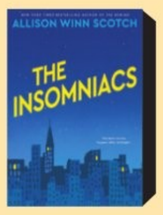


Starside
by Alex Aster

Aris pursues cosmic truths while hiding a secret that threatens her world. The story centres on survival and the pursuit of power.

My Dear You
by Rachel Khong

The diverse and captivating work of Rachel Khong explores stories about longing and loss, from estranged lovers to fading friendships. Characters make extraordinary choices, each uncovering the unspoken.



The Insomniacs
by Allison Winn Scotch

The book explores what happens when sleep avoids a mother and daughter, trapping them in endless nights of raw confession. As the sun refuses to rise, buried resentments resurface, making the book an emotional read.

TOUCH OF STYLE

Celebrating International Design Day, Kannada television actor Ramola (right) appreciates the students' work at The LISAA School of Design on their open day on Hosur road campus | **NAGARAJA GADEKAL**

NOWSTREAMING

REGIONAL

HAPPY RAJ (Tamil)

A man fails multiple love failures in his life, which shook his optimistic views towards the life. However, his life takes a different turn, when he falls for a woman and his past creates further obstacles in his life.

Cast: GV Prakash, Prathana Nathan, Abbas, Sri Gouri Priya

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

PRATHICHAYA (Malayalam)

A father's legacy collides with his son's ambitions in a gripping political thriller that questions the price of power and challenges conventional definitions of success beyond titles and wealth.

Cast: Nivin Pauly, Sharaf U Dheen, Ann Augustine

- **Watch on:** JioHotstar

FOREIGN

STRANGER THINGS: TALES FROM '85 (English, series)

Set in Hawkins, Indiana, in the winter of 1985, Eleven and her friends unravel a paranormal mystery terrorising their town.

Cast: Odessa A'zion, Jeremy Jordan, Jolie Hoang-Rappaport

- **Watch on:** Netflix

SUBSCRIPTION

Netflix :	₹ 199/month
Prime Video:	₹ 299/month
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Disney+ Hotstar:	₹ 899/year
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FITBIT

LOWER BACK STRENGTH MATTERS & HOW BACK EXTENSIONS CAN HELP

Lower back pain and poor posture are common, especially with long hours of sitting and limited movement. While many focus on abs or upper body strength, the lower back often gets ignored. This can lead to imbalance, discomfort and even injury over time. Strengthening this area is important not just for workouts, but for everyday movement like bending, lifting and standing for long periods. One simple and effective way to build this strength is through lower back extensions.

WHY LOWER BACK STRENGTH IS IMPORTANT

The lower back muscles help stabilise the spine and support posture. When these muscles are weak, it can lead to pain, poor alignment and reduced performance during exercises like squats and deadlifts.

WHAT MAKES BACK EXTENSIONS USEFUL

Back extensions work the posterior chain, which includes the glutes, hamstrings and lower back. Strengthening these muscles improves overall stability and supports better movement patterns.

START SIMPLE BEFORE PROGRESSING

This is not a movement that requires heavy weight in the beginning. Start with bodyweight exercises like floor extensions or basic bench work. Focus on control and steady movement.

FOCUS ON FORM, NOT RANGE

Avoid overextending your back at the top of the movement. Lift only until your body forms a straight line. This keeps the exercise safe and effective.

ENGAGE THE RIGHT MUSCLES

Use your glutes and core along with your lower back. This helps distribute the load and reduces strain on the spine.

USEFUL FOR STRENGTH AND RECOVERY

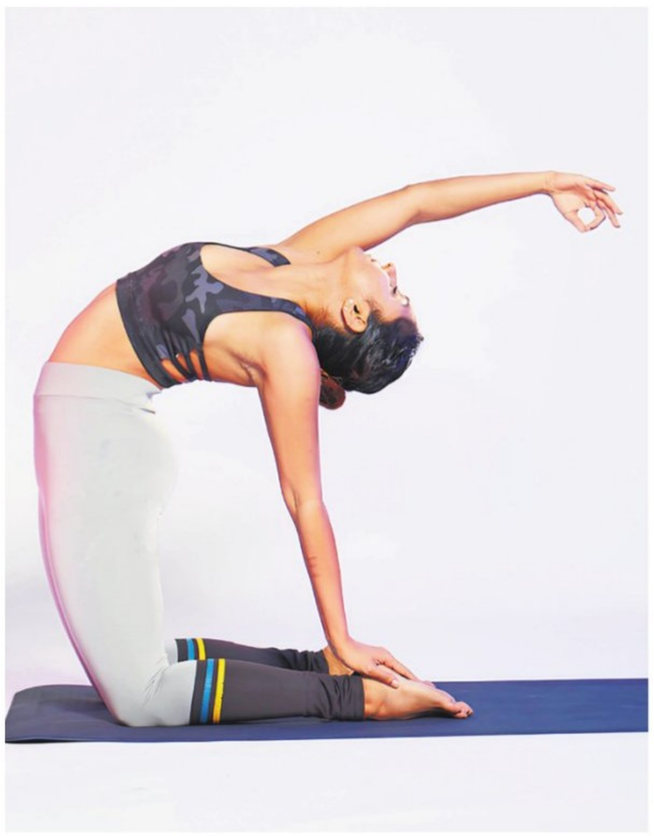
Back extensions are low-impact and can be used for:

- Building strength
- Supporting recovery
- Improving posture and mobility

KNOW WHEN TO MODIFY

If you have lower back pain or limited core strength, start with simpler exercises like bird dogs or glute bridges before progressing.

Building lower back strength is about consistency and control, not intensity. When done correctly, back extensions can improve posture, support daily movement and reduce the risk of injury over time.



By Spoorthi S, fitness expert, cult — a fitness and wellness platform

QUICKFIX

GUAVA MILKSHAKE

INGREDIENTS

- **Guava:** 5
- **Vanilla extract:** 1 tsp
- **Milk:** 1 cup
- **Sugar:** 2 tbsp
- **Ground cinnamon:** 2 tsp
- **Vanilla ice cream:** 2 cups

METHOD

- Slice guavas in half and with a spoon remove all seeds.
- In a small bowl, combine four sliced guavas, sugar, vanilla extract, and ground cinnamon. Stir to combine, set aside for 15 minutes.
- Dice remaining guava, set aside. To a blender add guava sugar mixture and milk, blend until smooth.
- Add ice cream to the blender, blend until smooth. Serve immediately garnished with diced guava.

Contributed by **Latheefa M**, Kochi

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Just Laugh

Go with friends, family, enemies, random strangers or by yourself for an absurd, edgy and funny evening as these Bengaluru regulars try to crack you up with their jokes. Add some food and beverages to the mix and enjoy the evening.

WHEN: April 28, 8.30pm | **WHERE:** Ministry of Comedy, Koramangala | **DETAILS:** district.in

Not Out?

Grab your squad and settle into this exclusive box seating for the ultimate IPL match-viewing experience of PBKS and RR. Catch every boundary, every wicket and every nail-biting moment of the IPL live. Perfect for groups, friends and anyone looking to turn match day into a full-blown celebration.

WHEN: April 28, 7.30pm
WHERE: Loco Lane, Brigade Road
CALL: 90360 53321

Nonstop Moves

Turn up the vibe and bring the Kerala energy to the dance floor as **DJ ZIA** sets to keep the energy high with tracks that hit just right. Dance through a night of non-stop beats, food and good company.

WHEN: April 28, 8pm
WHERE: HOD - House Of Dopamine, Koramangala
CALL: 96864 44906

Power Plays

With a powerful play that explores [illegible] female [illegible] performances, [illegible] and highlights [illegible] and [illegible], with the plot centring on a young bride whose wedding is halted when her groom is called to war.

WHEN: April 28, 7pm
WHERE: [illegible]
DETAILS: [illegible]

Golden Repair

Enter a soulful learning experience where you'll learn Kintsugi, the ancient Japanese art of repairing broken pottery with gold. Learn the art of break, bond and beautify. This isn't just about art, it's about embracing imperfections and honouring flaws.

WHEN: April 28, 3pm
WHERE: Costa Coffee, AECS Layout
CALL: 94834 15180

Clay Creations

Step into a calming space where creativity takes over in the form of pottery. Learn techniques like hand-building, wheel-throwing and shaping clay into your unique piece.

WHEN: April 28, 11am
WHERE: Maya's Pottery, HAL Layout
CALL: 73384 10009

Intentional Pauses

As part of the International Dance Day celebration, witness multidisciplinary artiste, curator & producer **Masoom Parmar**. Dive deep into a talk unpacking the nuances of the slow and intentional movements in dance.

WHEN: April 28, 6.30pm
WHERE: Bangalore International Centre, Domlur
DETAILS: bangaloreinternationalcentre.org

EXPRESS CONNECT

HAVE A RECIPE OR ART WORK TO SHARE, OR A QUESTION TO ASK?

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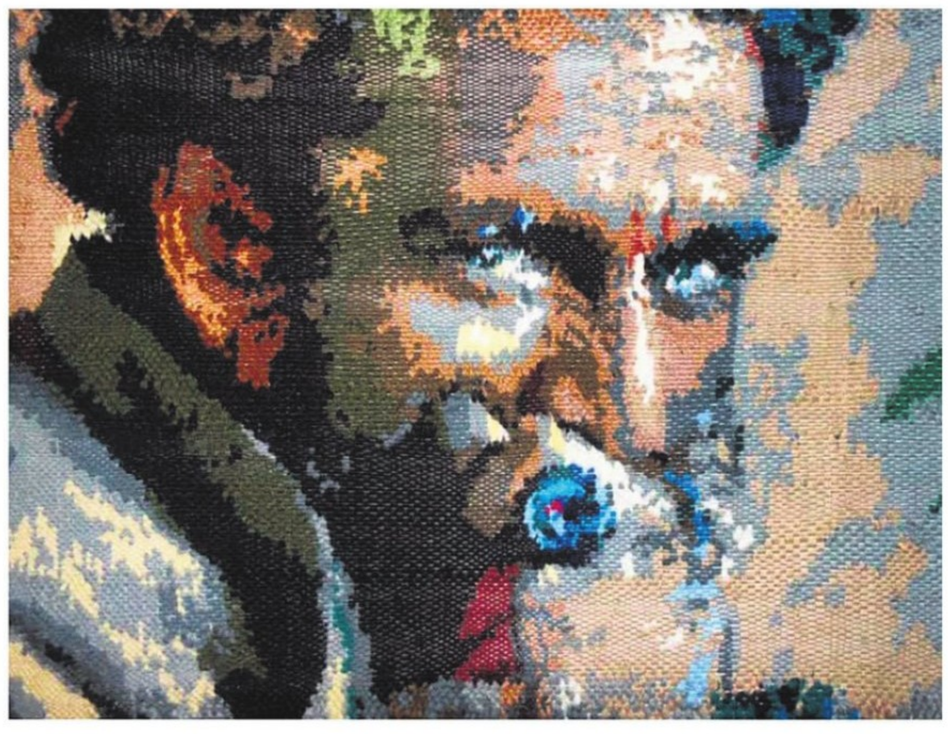
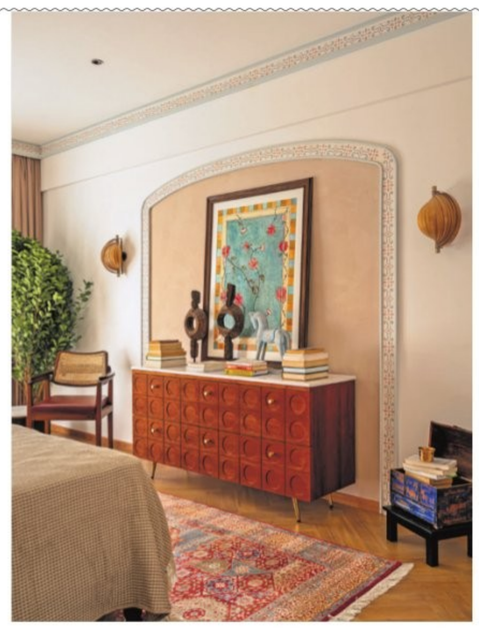


SMOKE

Artist Ekta Sharma's tapestry artwork bridges the seen and unseen, exploring the deep connection between humanity and the cosmos

Designs by House of Katha



From Kerala woodwork to Rajasthani hues and Chettinad patterns, urban homes are rediscovering identity through layered and meaningful storytelling

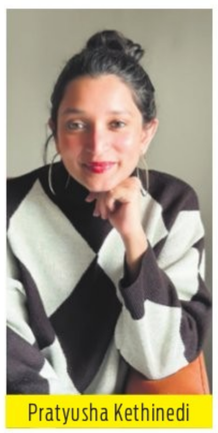
DESI DNA IN DESIGN

DARSHITA JAIN

STEP into a modern apartment today, and you might find clean lines and minimal layouts. But look closer, for something deeper is unfolding. A carved wooden panel from Kerala, a burst of Rajasthani colour or the quiet geometry of Chettinad patterns are finding their way back into urban homes, not as decoration but as memory, identity and comfort.

For many designers, this shift is less about style and more about meaning. Sneha Ostawal, founder and principal architect at Source Architecture, explains how this idea begins with understanding people rather than places. "For me, regional design is not about one specific style or geography. It is about identity, and when we design homes, we look at three layers, which include where the client comes from, where they currently live, and a place they emotionally connect with, because it is about bringing these together into a cohesive space and translating lived experiences into design," she says.

At the same time, this revival is also a response to a world that feels increasingly similar. Pratyusha Kethinedi, principal designer and founder of House of Katha, reflects on what is driving this change today. "The renewed interest in regional design is largely driven by increased global exposure and travel, coupled with a growing fatigue toward sameness. Today, whether you're in Bali, Ladakh or Berlin, or even in places like Assagao or Alibaug, there's a certain uniformity in how spaces, brands, and lifestyles present themselves," she says.



Pratyusha Kethinedi

This sense of belonging is perhaps what modern homes have been missing. Ostawal reflects on how personal these spaces can become. "At its core, it gives a sense of belonging and identity. Homes today can easily become very neutral or global in style. But when you bring in regional references – whether through materials, colours, craft, or objects – it starts to tell a personal story. It brings back nostalgia and a sense of uniqueness. The home begins to reflect who they are, where they come from, and what they connect with emotionally. That's what makes a space feel truly theirs," she says.

Kethinedi further explains that traditional elements are no longer just accents but part of the core design language. "Traditional elements in homes today are no longer an afterthought or just decor as they form the backbone of the home, and designers are questioning the logic of the craft, which helps it expand from a surface finish to integrate across typologies, while deeper collaboration opens a more expansive and experimental creative landscape, pushing craft into new, unexpected expressions," Kethinedi explains.

Sneha Ostawal

Nansu Home and Shivaravam by Source Architecture

Storytelling also plays a quiet but powerful role in these spaces. Describing another home, Ostawal explains how design becomes deeply personal. "Storytelling is central to how we approach design. And, storytelling isn't about one narrative – it's about layering different aspects of the family into the space," she says.

Balancing tradition within modern constraints requires a careful approach. Kethinedi explains how designers reinterpret rather than replicate: "In a modern city apartment, the intent is not to recreate a traditional home or adhere to a fixed theme; the approach is to study the principles of traditional design, its form, scale and proportions, reinterpret them to feel relevant today, extracting their essence and translating them through a contemporary lens."

Colour, too, carries memory in subtle ways. Ostawal notes how palettes help bridge tradition and modernity. "Colour plays a very important role in carrying forward regional identity. Even when the form is simplified, colour can hold the cultural reference. Strong Indian palettes like mustards, greens and rusts are used in a controlled way, and these colours bring warmth and familiarity. However, because the overall space is edited and clean, it still feels contemporary," she says.

Material and craft remain at the heart of authenticity. Kethinedi notes, "The moment you remove the process and materiality, you're no longer working with the craft itself, but merely referencing its aesthetic."

Of course, challenges remain, especially in striking the right balance. She admits that it is not always easy. "The biggest challenge lies in finding the right balance between the new and the old, honouring craft and tradition without mimicking it or turning it into a theme. The focus is on respecting and integrating these elements into everyday living, allowing them to feel natural, relevant and seamlessly embedded in the way the space is experienced," Kethinedi highlights.

Yet, both designers agree that this is not a fleeting moment. Looking ahead, there is a shared belief that the shift is here to stay. As Ostawal puts it, "With everything becoming digital, tech-driven, and increasingly influenced by AI, there is a natural shift towards wanting spaces that feel more human and grounded and regional design brings back warmth, belonging, and identity, reconnecting people to where they come from, where they are, and where they are going."

In the end, these homes are not just about aesthetics. They are about remembering where you come from, holding on to it, and quietly letting it shape the way you live today.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) YARRAIAH G,** father of No.JC-313952X, SUB, CHANDRAMOULI RAJU GUNI, residing at Ragulavari Palli (Vill), Eremireddygari Palli (Post), Chandra Giri (Tehsil), Chittoor (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 517113, Have Changed my name to **(NEW NAME) GUNI YARRAMARAJU** And **DOB** from **01.07.1948** to **01.01.1953** Vide Affidavit Dated 23.04.2026 Sworn Before NOTARY MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **HARINATH. RAVI BHARGAV,** S/o Virappa, aged about 52 years, resident of No. 10, Sarojamma Garden, Doddakammanahalli Road, Doddakammanahalli, Gottigere, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru-560083, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SADASHIVA .V** to **HARINATH. RAVI BHARGAV** henceforth I shall be known and called as **HARINATH. RAVI BHARGAV,** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 27/04/2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **D.G. SHANTHAPPA** at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, YASHIKA YESHWANT JAIN (OLD NAME), aged about 29 years, W/o Rohit Rajesh Rankaa, Residing at Flat No. 004, Sanjana Apartments, No 90, 8th Main, Kanakana Palya, Jayanagar, 2nd Block, Bengaluru 560011, Karnataka State, have changed my Name to **YASHIKA JAIN (NEW NAME),** Vide Affidavit Dated 04/Apr/2026, sworn before Notary Meer Hassan Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **LEELA RAO** spouse of SGT **J RAMA CHANDRA RAO** (Retd.) (Service Number 49524), residing at No.2296, 11th Main Road, Chandra Nagar, Kumaraswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore South J P Nagar, Bangalore - 560078, Karnataka, have changed my Name from **LEELA RAO** to **J R LEELA RAO** and my date of birth is 06-12-1935 (Sixth December Nineteen Thirty Five) vide affidavit dated 23-04-2026 before Notary **R BASAVARAJA** at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Vandhana R K,** Mother of Adithi Megan, residing at No. C1202, Glen Gate, House of Hiranandani, Kodigehalli Main Road, Devinagar, Bangalore North, Kodigehalli, Bangalore-560 092. Hereby declare that, I have changed my minor Daughter's (aged about 12 years) name from **'Adithi Megan I.R'** to **'Adithi Megan'**, vide Affidavit dated 27.04.2026, Sworn before Advocate and Notary K. Venkateshan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, T R Guru Swamy, S/o. Ranga Swamy, Aged about 45 years (Date of Birth: 20/03/1980), Residing at No. 84, 5th Main, 3rd Cross, Vittal Nagar, Chamrajpet, Bengaluru-560018, Karnataka, India.
hereby declare that
T R GURU SWAMY and GURUSWAMY T R
All the names belong to one and the same person i.e., myself only.
And continue my name in future as
GURUSWAMY T R
Vide Affidavit dated 25/04/2026 sworn before Advocate & Notary C.Venkatapathy, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SAROJAMMA,** mother of No.JC-313952X, SUB, CHANDRAMOULI RAJU GUNI, residing at Ragulavari Palli (Vill), Eremireddygari Palli (Post), Chandra Giri (Tehsil), Chittoor (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 517113, Have Changed my name to **(NEW NAME) G SAROJAMMA** And **DOB** from **01.07.1956** to **01.01.1963** Vide Affidavit Dated 23.04.2026 Sworn Before NOTARY MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KUMARA C R** aged about 46 years, S/o Ramegowda P residing at No. 308, 2nd Stage, Madhuranagara, Varthur, Bangalore-560087, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KUMAR C R** to **KUMARA C R** henceforth I shall be known and called as **KUMARA C R** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 27/04/2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **YANKOBA** at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I **PREMA.V** W/o Sri Ramakrishnaiah. B aged about 53 years, residing at No.153/A, Ward No.30,Malleswara Badavane, Byraveshwara Nilaya, Ijoor, Ramanagara Town - 562159, Bengaluru South District do hereby declare that I have changed my name from PREMA.V to **PREMA** vide affidavit dated: 27.04.2026, sworn before Ambarisha advocate and Notary at Ramanagara.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ROOPA NARAYANAPPA** (Old name), W/o **RAMESH BENGALURU CHANNIGANNA**, Residing at No, 137/62, 1st floor, 1st Cross, Sannakkibayalu, Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru – 560079 have changed my name to **ROOPA BENGALURU NARAYANAPPA** (New Name) vide affidavit dated: 25/3/2026 Before Notary **H.R.Karunakara** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, MARGHOOB REHMAN @ M. REHMAN, S/o. AYUB AHMED, Aged major residing at NO. 63, 14th Cross, Gangondanahalli, Bengaluru - 560039, I declare that below mentioned **MARGHOOB REHMAN** and **M. REHMAN** pertains to me only. both the names are one and the same, belongs to me only, vide affidavit dated 13/3/2026 sworn to before G Dayananda Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

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I, SHAHNAZ BEGUM, (D-o-B: 06/06/1973), W/o. Shri. MOHAMMED KASIM, resident of No.104, Coconut Garden, Ashwathnagar, RMV 2nd Dtage, Bengaluru- 560 094, Karnataka India,
have changed my name from
SHAHANAZ BEGUM to SHAHNAZ BEGUM
vide affidavit dated: 15/04/2026, sworn before Notary Public, B. SESHAGIRI, Bangalore. Henceforth, I shall be known as **SHAHNAZ BEGUM** for all future purposes.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, ANITHA.V (New name) W/o. Venkatesh Praveen aged about 36 years R/a No. 35, 4th Floor 3rd Block, 1st Main 2nd Cross Ayyappa Nagar, K.R.Puram Bangalore-560036. In Share certificates & other records mentioned as **ANITHA.S.** Both **ANITHA.S** & **ANITHA.V** one & the same belongs to me only. In this regard I sworn before Advocate & Notary Ratna. N, Bangalore-560079 vide affidavit dt 27-04-2026

CHANGE OF NAME
I **RAMACHANDRA KRISHNA KARLEKAR,** S/o Krishna D karlekar, aged about 43 years R/at Vill: Nawage, VTU Campus, Belgaum-590018, karnataka State, Presently residing at No.10/1, 1st Floor, Clarkspet C Street, Bangalore-560001, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **PURVA RAMCHANDRA KARLEKAR** to **PURVA RAMACHANDRA KARLEKAR** henceforth I shall be known and called as **PURVA RAMACHANDRA KARLEKAR** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 27-04-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **SIVAKUMAR .M.N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SUGUNA PRASANTHA KUMAR SEEKOLU,** R/at Pr No. 122/4 Kh No.122/4, VTC Kannamangala, Bengaluru-560067 have changed my name to **SUGUNA PRASANTHA KUMAR S** vide affidavit dated 27-04-2026 sworn before Notary Nijagunaradhya T. C Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ABHIGHNA SRIDHARA,** (Old Name) D/o **B N Sridhara,** Residing at No.7, S L Lane Mavali, Lalbagh West Gate Upparahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560004, have changed my name to **SHOBITHA Y S** (New Name) vide affidavit dated: 27/4/2026 Before Notary **L.Puttaraju** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Pavithra P Wife of Ganesha S aged about 34 years, residing at #45(old No 57), 8th main, Dwaraka Nagar, near PESIT college, Banashankari-3rd stage, Bengaluru - 560085, have changed my name from **Pavithra P** to **Pavithra P Ganesh,** vide affidavit dated 25/4/2026 sworn to before B Chitra Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ABDUL RAHMAN (New Name)** previously called **ABDUL RAHMAN SHAIKH (Old Name)** Address: H NO: 24 TANZEEM ROAD NAWAYATH COLONY BHATKAL, KARWAR PIN: 581320, KARNATAKA, INDIA henceforth I will be called and recognized by new name for all future purposes, dated: 27-04-2026

CHANGE OF NAME
I, MOHAMAD MEERAN SAHEB, S/o. Late Ummer Abdul Kader Saheb, aged 79 years, having permanent residence at No.854, M.M. House, 1st Stage, 5th Cross, Opposite Silicon City Public School, Indiranagar, Bengaluru-560038, presently in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, have executed an affidavit dated 20.04.2026 sworn to before Sri. Navin Dayal, Vice Counsel, Consulate General of India, Dubai declaring that Mohamad Meeran Saheb, Mohammed Meeran Saheb, Mohamed Meeran, Mohamed Meeran Saheb, are the names of the same person (i.e., me) which have been used interchangeably in various documents such as Aadhar, Passport, Bank accounts, PAN card, Demat accounts, Voter ID, property documents, share certificates etc. will henceforth be known only as **Mohamad Meeran Saheb** and the said name will be used/updated in the documents mentioned above.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **V. VIJAY KUMAR,** S/o Late V.R. Rao, aged about 80 years, R/at No. 103, Thiruala Deluxe Apartments, 78/2A, BDA 60 Feet Road, M. Visveswaraya Road, Bannerghatta Post, Arekere, Bengaluru-560 076 do hereby declare that that my wife's correct name is **SUGANDHA.G** and her correct date of birth is 27.08.1950, but in my new PPO, my wife's name and date of birth is wrongly mentioned as **SUGANDHA** and 01.08.1953, vide affidavit dated 24.04.2026, sworn before XXXVIII Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bengaluru City.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **JAYANTH MUDLAPUR,** Aged about 19 years, S/o. Girish Kumar Mudlapur, Residing at SG-1107, Signature Building Golden Blossom Apartment, Opp. Satya Saibaba Ashram, Kadugodi, Kadugodi Plantation, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560 067, do hereby declare that in the few of my document's father name bears as follows : **GIRISH KUMAR MUDLAPUR** in my Aadhaar and Pan Card, **GIRISH MUDLAPUR,** in my Central Board of Secondary Education Roll **No. 18105910,** Secondary School Examination, 2022 and in my Central Board of Secondary Education Roll **No. 18605965,** Senior School certificate examination, 2024 and in my Migration Certificate Roll **No. 18605965.** This is also to categorically state that my father's correct name is **GIRISH KUMAR MUDLAPUR** vide affidavit dated 25.04.2026 sworn before Rajanna, Advocate and Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, hitherto known as **Mamatha Ramesh Babu,** W/o C E Ramesh babu, residing at RHD 03, shivaganga Uniworth Tranquil, Doddabele Road off Mysore Road, Bangalore South-560060. I have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **'DR MAMATHA B PATIL'** vide affidavit dated 24/4/2026 before Notary K Peethambaran

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **INDIRA KUMAR,** aged 38 years W/o KUMAR GANGADHARA, D/O NARASIMHA MURTHY AGADURAPPA, residing at NO 15/3, 2ND MAIN ROAD, MARENAHALLI, VIJAYANAGAR, BENGALURU 560040
I have changed my name to
INDIRA NARASIMHA MURTHY
for all purposes affidavit dated 24/04/2026 sworn before advocate and notary B. Prasanna, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RESHMA T,** W/o Suhail Pasha, aged about 35 years, R/at Ward No.13, No.3228, Thopkhan Mohalla, Kothipura, Ramanagar-562159, Karnataka, today camping at Bengaluru, have changed my name to **RESHMA T SAIRA,** vide affidavit dated: 27/04/2026, before Notary **MEER HASSAN,** BENGALURU

CHANGE OF NAME
I, HARIHARAN SIVARAMAN, S/o Sivaraman, aged about 35 yaers, R/at flat No.G1, Jai Prime Apartment, 3rd Cross, Street Alfa Gardens, KR puram, Bangalore-560036, do hereby declare that both the names i.e **HARIHARAN** and **HARIHARAN SIVARAMAN** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **HARIHARAN SIVARAMAN** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 18-04-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K.R. PADMANABHAIAH** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, ROHITH RANKA (OLD NAME), aged about 28 years, S/o Rajesh Ranka.M, Residing at Flat No. 004, Sanjana Apartments, No. 90, 8th Main, Kanakana Palya, Jayanagar, 2nd Block, Bengaluru 560011, Karnataka State, have change my Name to **ROHIT RAJESH RANKAA (NEW NAME),** vide affidavit dated 04/Apr/2026, sworn before Notary Meer Hassan Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ARUNKUMAR C.S,** aged about 38 years, residing at # 82, 2nd Floor, 2nd Cross, BDA Layout, Chamundi Nagar, Near BDA Layout, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560085. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from **'ARUNKUMAR C.S'** to **'AARUN KUMAR C.S'**, Vide Affidavit dated 27.04.2026, Sworn before Advocate and Notary B.M. Chandrashekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PRASANTH BASAVARAJ,** R/o Byathanal Village, Kusnur, Hanagal, Haveri, Karnataka-581120
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BLOOD IS NOT JUST ABOUT VIOLENCE, IT IS ALSO EMOTION

PREM

A SHARADHAA

THERE here has been a steady hum around *KD: The Devil* ever since it was announced. The conversations began early, the controversies followed, and the curiosity has only grown louder. But for director Prem, the film is not built on noise — it is built on instinct, experience, and a certain emotional truth that he believes will outlive the buzz.

"*KD* is Kaalidasa... and 'The Devil' is not one person," Prem says. "It is a reflection of circumstances. Characters become what they become because of situations. That is why I call it a mirror of the devil." It is a line that sets the tone for the film, hinting at a story that is less about good versus evil and more about the grey spaces in between. That layered approach, however, has not come easy. From censorship hurdles to the recent episode of the trailer being taken down, and reuploaded, *KD* has faced its share of obstacles.

"Censor rules are the same for every film. But somewhere, I had to go that extra mile," Prem admits. "There were moments where it felt like I had to push harder than usual to get things cleared."

More than the hurdles, what seems to have stayed with him is the absence of a strong support system within the industry. "Earlier, there were people who would stand by you, like Dr Rajkumar, Parvathamma Rajkumar, and Ambareesh. Today, that kind of backing is missing," he says. At the same time, he acknowledges the support he received. "Kumaranna (Politician HD Kumaraswamy) stood by me during the censor phase, and I am grateful. Having said that, if filmmakers like us with experience do not get support, what happens to a newcomer? That is why I say, going forward, I will be there for others."

Prem

Prem insists *KD: The Devil* is driven by something substantial, blending 1970s underworld grit with themes of family and fate

A still from the film

For Prem, *KD* is a return to the space that once defined him — the raw, rooted storytelling of his Kariya and Jogi days. However, he sees it as a continuation rather than a comeback. "I have explored different genres at different phases. But this story comes from the 1970s, inspired by real emotions and real-life incidents. The underworld then was very different," he says.

The casting of Dhruva Sarja in the lead role fits into that vision. "Dhruva had been wanting to collaborate with me for a long time. When this story came to me, I felt he would suit it, and when KVN Productions came into the picture, we decided to collaborate. Yes, there is bloodshed, but at its heart, this is a family story. Blood is thicker than water, and that emotion drives the film."

The scale of *KD* reflects its ambition. Prem brings together some fine actors like Ramesh Aravind, Ravichandran, and Sanjay Dutt in layered roles, along with Shilpa Shetty and Reeshma Nanaiah in strong characters. Prem hints that the narrative will not offer easy closure. "Every character in *KD* will begin, but not end. This film is just a starting point," he says, suggesting a world that extends beyond a single story.

Despite its violent backdrop, Prem insists that emotion remains the core. "People might see action and blood, but the last stretch of the film is filled with emotion. That has always been my strength," he says. "For me, blood is not just violence, blood is emotion."

His filmmaking process reflects that fluidity. Prem does not work with a rigid script, choosing instead to build scenes through discussion and instinct. "I am not a bound-script director. I don't sit and write everything. I discuss with my team, improvise, and keep changing even till dubbing. I want reality, but I also want cinema," he explains. In an era of rapid technological shifts, he remains aware of the need to evolve. "Today, we are standing alongside AI. At least we should match that level of imagination."

Set in 1970s Bengaluru, the film recreates a time and texture that Prem believes will resonate with audiences. He credits his team for bringing that world alive, and points to the music as one of the film's biggest strengths. "Arjun Janya's music has a strong impact. We worked with a large number of musicians, and the background score takes the film to another level," he says.

Yet, beneath the scale and spectacle, Prem returns to a simple, almost grounded thought when he speaks about what *KD* means to him. "I have made this film with love. As always, I have not spoken much about *KD* because circumstances led to different things. Moreover, I want the audience to talk about it," he says.

In that sense, *KD: The Devil* stands as both a film and a test of a filmmaker's conviction, of an industry's support system, and ultimately, of the audience's willingness to look beyond the noise and see the emotion within. "Like a farmer, I have done my work. Now I leave it to the people."

Gowrishankar set to become a

Common Man

in veteran Om Saiprakash's next

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Gowrishankar and Om Saiprakash

A still from the film

VETERAN director Om Saiprakash is set to join hands with Kerebete actor Gowrishankar for *Common Man*, marking a significant collaboration between experience and emerging talent. For Gowrishankar, this is his fourth film, and the actor considers himself fortunate to be working with Saiprakash on what is the director's 106th film.

Common Man revolves around an ordinary lawyer who, by a twist of fate, accidentally becomes the Chief Minister. The film went on floors this January, and the shooting was wrapped up in a brisk 42-day schedule. The film is currently in post-production and gearing up for release.

Reflecting on his experience of working with a veteran filmmaker, Gowrishankar believes the collaboration has been a learning curve. The story is penned by producer Dr N Narasimha Murthy, while the script, screenplay, and direction are helmed by Saiprakash, known for balancing entertainment with strong narrative impact.

Speaking about the director's approach, Gowri Shankar points out how Saiprakash's filmmaking style remains relevant even today. "In a year, we see over 160 films being made by new directors, but not all of them succeed," he says, adding, "When budgets reach 20–30 crore, you can't help but wonder if some filmmakers are unnecessarily stretching schedules. Sometimes, the old-school approach works best."

In fact, he recalls asking Saiprakash whether the film would take an extended schedule. "He simply said, 'I shoot what is required, what needs to be conveyed through cinema.' That clarity is his strength," the actor shares.

Gowrishankar also highlights the discipline and experience the veteran brings to the table. "Beyond his seniority, he is extremely disciplined and respectful. That's something I've learnt from him," he adds.

The film also stars Shona Ladva as the female lead, with music composed by Vinay Chandra. Cinematography is handled by the father-son duo JJ Krishna and Deepak.

'I CAN NEVER MAKE AN OTT SERIES'

BH HARSH

WHILE the mind doesn't instantly make the association, Rajat Kapoor's films have almost always had an element of crime and misdemeanour—be it *Raghu Romeo* (2004), *Mithya* (2008) or *Kadakh* (2020). However, with *Everybody Loves Sohrab Handa*, which is currently streaming on ZEE5, Rajat dabbles in a genre film, a classic whodunit that unfolds at a hill station cottage. That was the starting point for him, the filmmaker shares. "I began with the thought, 'Let's see if I can crack a whodunit. Once I arrived at the main twist, it was then a matter of how you build to that point, the characters involved, how complicated things can be, etc. It took me 30 days to finish the script," Rajat says.

However, besides the whodunit exploration, what was also crucial for the narrative was a commentary on the present times. Rajat elaborates, "There is a newsreader doing an expose, just because it's bringing in money. Madhavan (Ranvir Shorey) talks about being doomed, how we are burnt out, and how we have become sellouts to society. Everything is a comment on the world we live in." Tying all these characters is Sohrab Handa (Vinay Pathak), a rich, boisterous cynic who remains unfiltered amidst the double standards of everyone around him. When we label Sohrab as an unlikable character, Rajat Kapoor gently expresses his disagreement, adding, "Sohrab might be a bully, but he's such a charming and magnetic guy because of his openness. Others are just drawn to him in some way. There is that duality about him."

While *Everybody Loves Sohrab Handa* was finished in 2023, the film found an OTT release only after three years. His previous film *Kadakh* was also a straight-to-OTT release. On whether he sees any particular merits or demerits to streaming culture, Rajat responds, "The good thing about OTT is that I am not worried whether the film will be there on Monday. If you are not watching it today, you can watch it tomorrow, next week, or after a month; the film will be there, and there is peace in that. Sometimes, the word-of-mouth takes that long. On the other hand, if it had been released in theatres, it would have been so much fun. So, there is that gamble as well." Rajat further reflects on the OTT landscape. For one, he sounds very assured about never making a long-form series. "My mind works in 90 minutes. I am very much a film person. I don't think I can write long-form. There are too many restrictions that come with a series, including casting and budgeting."

Another thing Rajat remains firm about is not being active on social media. He doesn't carry a mobile phone either. How does he keep in touch with the audience's taste or the film discourse? He explains, "It's not like the world didn't exist before social media. When I go out, so many people meet me and say, 'Thank you for making *Ankhon Dekhi*,' or 'I enjoyed *Kadakh* a lot.' If the news has to reach you, it will." He then talks about what he finds more essential to his working process. "I don't watch many films, unless someone is doing a great job. But as filmmakers, it's important to be in touch with oneself rather than seeing what others are making.

Jason Statham, David Ayer to reunite

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AFTER collaborating on *The Beekeeper* and *A Working Man*, filmmaker David Ayer and actor Jason Statham are reuniting for an action thriller titled *John Doe*. Ayer is helming the film from a script by Zak Penn, known for his works in *Ready Player One* and *The Avengers*.

Set to play a 'man with no name,' *John Doe* will revolve around the story of a man with no memories, no past, and no name, who could only remember one face: Eliza. Once he pieces together the fragments of memories he could recollect, he discovers that he was trained for a mission, and the people who sent him on the mission are hunting for him. Statham, through his Punch Palace Productions, Paul Schiff, and Zak Penn, is backing the film. The actor's upcoming films include Guy Ritchie's Viva La Madness, David Leitch's meta action-comedy Jason Statham Stole My Bike, and *The Beekeeper 2*.

Inspector Avinash to return for season 2

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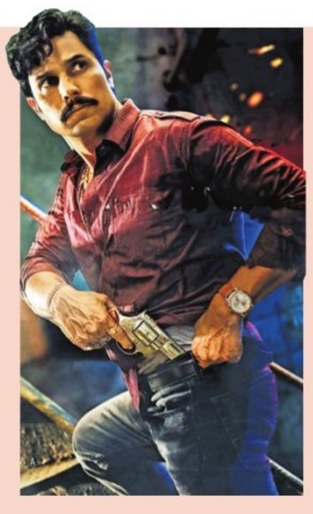

ON Monday, JioHotstar unveiled the announcement teaser for Season 2 of *Inspector Avinash*, which is headlined by Randeep Hooda. Neerraj Pathak has directed the series, besides co-writing the script in association with Sanjay Massom and Sammeer Arora. The series also features Urvashi Rautela, Amit Sial, Abhimanyu Singh, Rajneesh Duggal, Shalin Bhanot, and Freddy Daruwala. Talking about reprising his role of Inspector Avinash, Randeep shared, "Avinash is a force shaped by his circumstances. This season, you'll see the character tested in ways that go beyond the badge; it's more personal, more relentless, and far more dangerous."